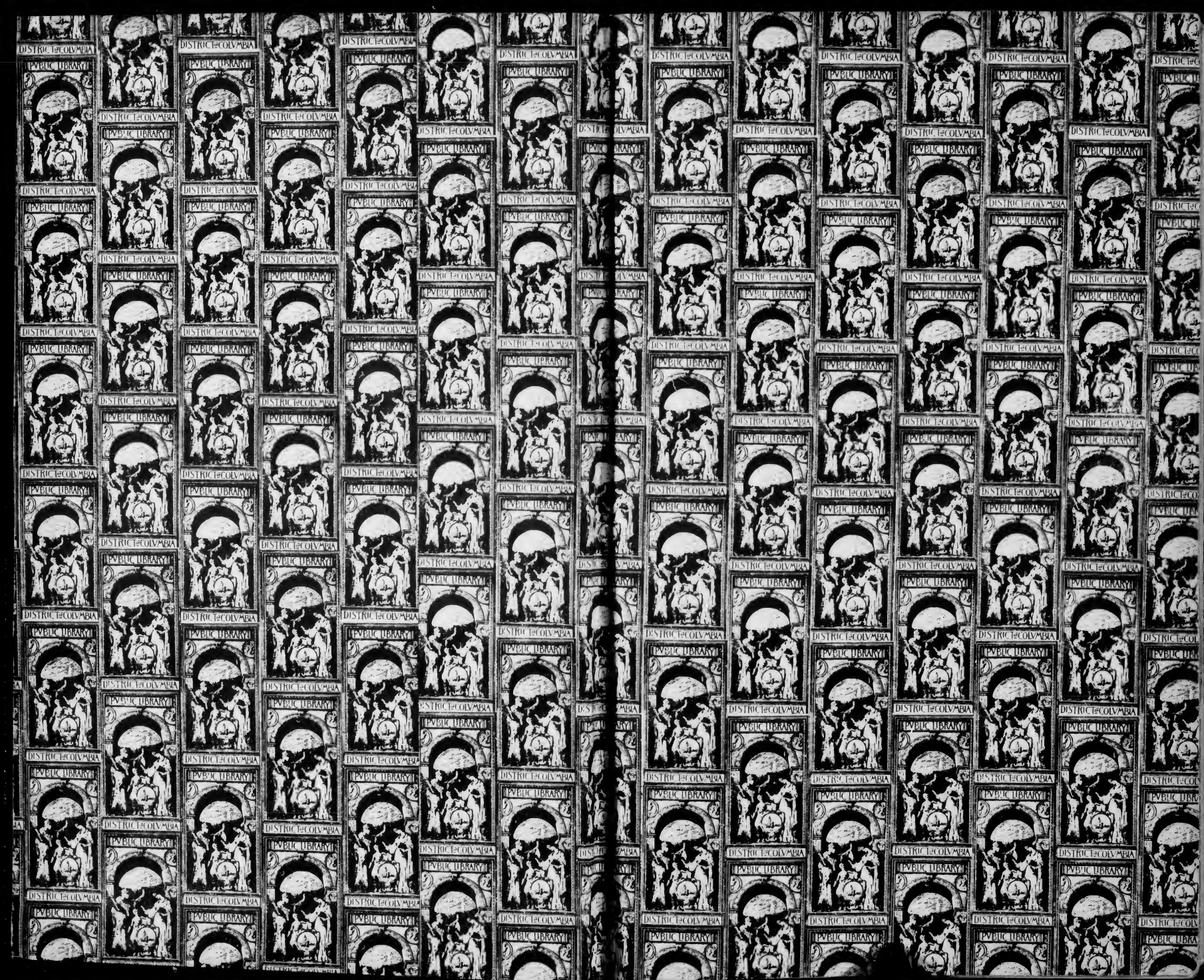


**Report of the
Commissioners
of the
District of
Columbia**

1874

(Washington, DC)



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TOGETHER WITH THE REPORTS OF

THE BOARD OF AUDIT AND THE BOARD OF HEALTH,

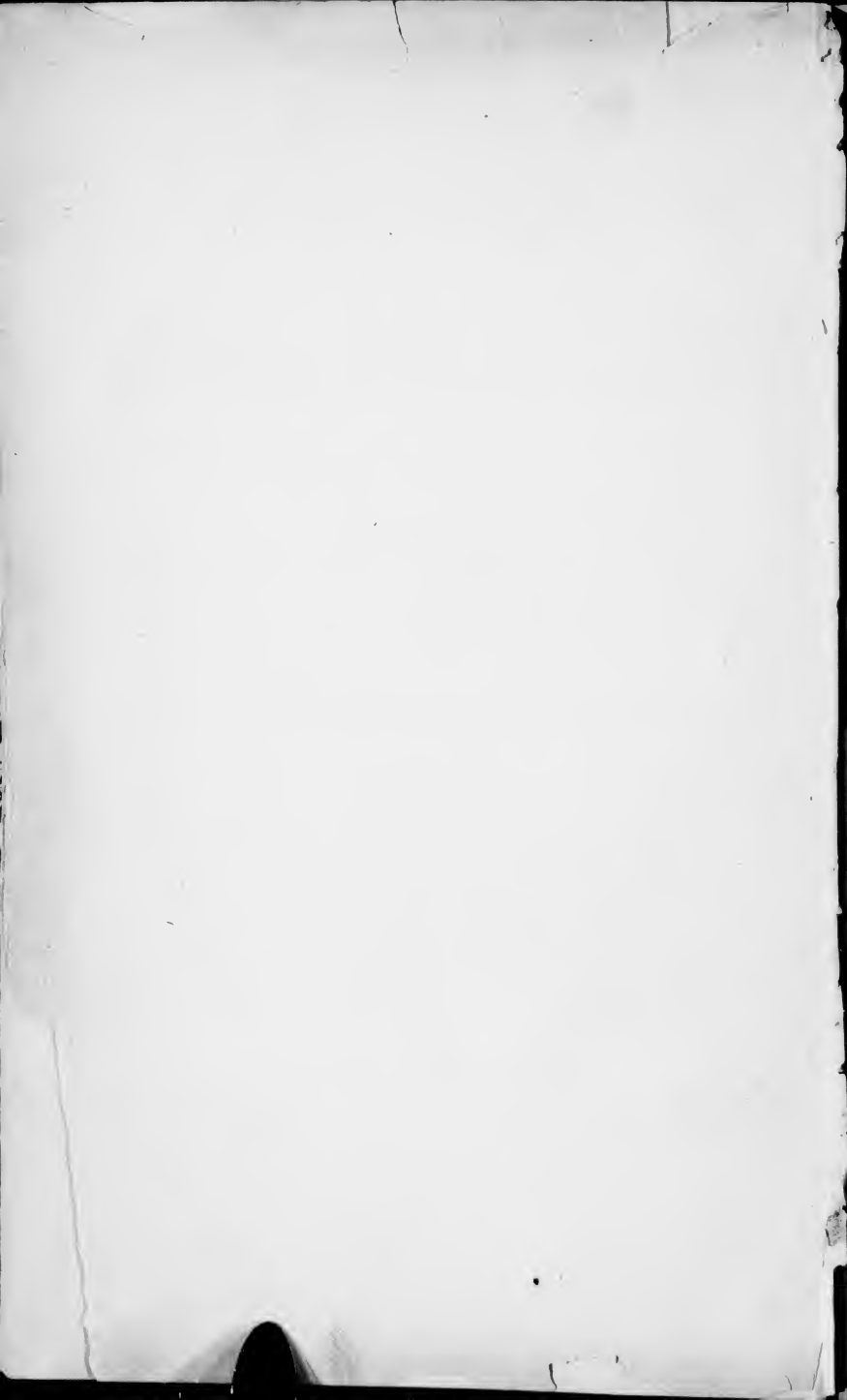
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REPORT

OF THE

COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS
OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, December 5, 1874.

To the President :

The commissioners of the District of Columbia are directed by the act of Congress, entitled "An act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, and for other purposes," approved June 23, 1874, to transmit to the President, to be transmitted by him to Congress at the beginning of the coming session, copies of statements showing the uses of the money appropriated for the District government, the amount paid, and the persons to whom or on what account paid, with a report of all receipts and disbursements of the District government from the date of the passage of said act.

Pursuant to this requirement, the commissioners submit the following report and accompanying statements. The appropriation by Congress for the District of Columbia was \$1,300,000, to be expended by the commissioners and applied, first, to the payment of interest on the funded debt of the District due July 1, 1874; secondly, to the payment of officers, employes, and laborers of the District proper, and of the board of public works; thirdly, to the payment of any indebtedness for which the securities of the District were pledged, and the remainder to the current expenses of the District, with a proviso that seventy-five thousand dollars of the sum so appropriated should be used for the payment of the workingmen employed on public improvements on the streets and excavations of Washington under the board of public works of the District, or the contractors of the same, the commissioners to retain from the contractors who were indebted to the workingmen, and whose accounts had not been settled by the board of public works, the sums due the workingmen.

The act of Congress entitled "An act for the government of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes," approved June 20, 1874, requires the repayment to the United States of the amount it should pay on account of interest on the funded debt, payable July 1, as aforesaid, which amounted to the sum of two hundred and thirty-seven thousand one hundred and thirty-two dollars and seventy-two cents, from taxes received from the levy upon the real estate in the District for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1875, leaving of said appropriation of thirteen hundred thousand dollars, for the purposes specified in the act, other than for said interest, the sum of one million sixty-two thousand and sixty-seven dollars and twenty-eight cents.

In addition to this sum, the commissioners have received from appro-

priation of Congress, act of June 22, 1874, \$34,291.66, due from the United States to the District, for one-third of the entire cost of maintaining the fire-department from January 31, 1873, to June 30, 1874. They have received also, from taxes and other revenues, including cash in the treasury at the date of their organization, \$1,751,899.99, which they are authorized by the act of June 20 to apply to the payment of the current expenses of the District, to the support of the public schools, the fire-department, and the police, to the payment of the debts of the District secured by a pledge of the securities of the District or board of public works as collateral, and debts due to laborers and employes of the District and board of public works.

By the same act they are directed to take possession and supervision of all the offices, books, papers, records, moneys, credits, securities, assets, and accounts belonging or appertaining to the business or interests of the government of the District and board of public works, and authorized to make contracts and incur obligations which should be necessary to the faithful administration of the valid laws of the District, to the execution of existing legal obligations and contracts, and to the protection or preservation of improvements existing or commenced at the time of the passage of said act.

The commissioners have kept their accounts with the United States Treasurer and deposited with him all moneys and securities. No moneys have been paid for any purpose but upon the warrant of the accounting officers of the District on the United States Treasurer, countersigned by one of the commissioners.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Receipts from all sources.

From United States Government:	
Appropriation June 23, 1874, general purposes.....	\$1,265,000 00
Appropriation June 23, 1874, paying contractors' laborers.....	75,000 00
Appropriation June 23, 1874, deficiencies fire-department.....	34,291 66
From the late District government:	
Cash transferred from the National Metropolitan Bank to the Treasury of the United States.....	122,911 19
From tax-levy:	
Section 4, act of Congress June 20, 1874.....	1,265,384 97
From other sources:	
Arrears, general taxes, licenses, water-rents, taxes, taps, and permits, and police-court fines.....	363,600 83
Total receipts to December 1, 1874.....	<u>3,086,188 65</u>

Expenditures.

Paid interest on the funded debt of the District of Columbia, as per act of Congress, June 23, 1874.....	\$237,132 72
Paid temporary loans and interest for which District bonds had been pledged.....	375,209 25
Paid officers, employes, and laborers of the late government of the District of Columbia, and of the late board of public works.....	612,658 03
From appropriation, June 23, 1874.....	1,225,000 00
Paid contractors' laborers, from \$75,000 appropriation, June 23, 1874....	50,618 43
Paid deficiencies fire-department, from appropriation, June 23, 1874.....	34,291 17
Paid salaries of officers and employes of the present District government.....	<u>237,001 58</u>

Paid salaries of officers and employés, and contingent expenses of the board of audit.....	\$26, 105 04
Paid United States Government amount advanced for payment of interest, under act June 23, 1874.....	237, 132 72
Paid interest on bonded debt, other than amounts charged as above ...	94, 748 91
Paid for redemption of water-stock.....	5, 838 80
Paid for refunding taxes erroneously collected, and for redemption of tax-lien certificates.....	57, 622 77
Paid contingent-expense account, including account of asylums, public schools, police, water and fire departments, markets, gas, &c.....	177, 140 06
Paid for temporary loans and interest of the late District government and board of public works, other than as charged above.....	761, 694 09
Paid judgments <i>vs.</i> late District government.....	10, 135 57
Total expenditures.....	<u>2, 917, 329 20</u>

Recapitulation.

Total receipts to December 1, 1874.....	\$3, 086, 188 65
Total expenditures to December 1, 1874, including warrants issued and not presented.....	<u>2, 917, 329 20</u>
Balance, cash on hand December 1, 1874.....	168, 859 45
Subject to check:	
On account contractors' laborers, appropriation June 23, 1874.....	\$24, 381 57
On account deficiencies fire-department, appropriated June 22, 1874.....	49
On account general purposes.....	<u>144, 477 39</u>
Total net balance subject to check.....	168, 859 45

For a detailed statement of the foregoing receipts and expenditures reference is made to the accompanying reports of the comptroller and treasurer of the District of Columbia.

Estimated receipts from all sources from December 1, 1874, to the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 1875.

Amount due from United States Government:	
Appropriation, June 23, 1874, for one-third ($\frac{1}{3}$) of the entire cost of the fire-department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1875, (not yet carried to the credit of the District).....	\$25, 000 00
Amount due:	
From general tax for year ending June 30, 1875.....	850, 000 00
From general tax for year ending June 30, 1874.....	310, 000 00
From arrears of all general taxes.....	125, 000 00
From licenses.....	150, 000 00
From water-rents.....	50, 000 09
From water-taxes.....	20, 000 00
From water-permits.....	500 00
From water-taps.....	1, 600 00
From police-court fines.....	<u>3, 500 00</u>
Total estimated receipts to June 30, 1875.....	1, 535, 600 00

For a detailed statement of the foregoing estimated receipts reference is made to the accompanying reports of the collector, water registrar, and the attorney of the District of Columbia.

Estimated expenditures, not including salaries of the commissioners, nor of the members, or expenses of the board of audit, from December 1, 1874, to the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 1875.

Itemized as follows:

For expenses of the executive office (proper).....	\$4,880 00
For expenses of the collector's office.....	9,303 69
For expenses of the comptroller's office.....	7,046 62
For expenses of the deputy comptroller's office.....	3,400 00
For expenses of the auditor's office.....	3,920 00
For expenses of the attorney's office.....	3,240 00
For expenses of the treasurer's office.....	1,862 00
For expenses of the superintendent of assessment and taxes' office.....	8,378 50
For expenses of the coroner's office.....	1,008 33
For expenses of the commissioners of the sinking-fund.....	4,200 00
For expenses of the engineer department.....	63,703 36
For expenses of the water department.....	50,955 08
For expenses of the fire department.....	60,053 52
For expenses of the metropolitan police.....	77,845 01
For expenses of the public schools.....	230,922 90
For expenses of the Washington asylum.....	13,131 67
For expenses of the Georgetown almshouse.....	1,165 07
For expenses of the board of health.....	18,795 00
For expenses of garbage collectors.....	8,500 00
For expenses of medicines and medical attendants for the poor.....	4,666 66
For expenses of the treatment of paupers at Freedman's Hospital.....	1,148 00
For expenses of the treatment of paupers at Insane Asylum.....	3,100 00
For expenses of the support of Reform-School.....	7,800 00
For expenses of the sealers of weights and measures.....	220 00
For expenses of the harbor-master of Georgetown.....	80 00
For expenses of the improvements and repairs under new contracts.....	8,750 00
For expenses of the repairs of county roads and bridges.....	3,333 00
For expenses of the repairs of pumps.....	4,987 50
For expenses of sweeping the streets.....	40,000 00
For expenses of cleaning alleys.....	14,950 00
For expenses of cleaning sewers and traps.....	3,600 00
For expenses of removing ashes from alleys.....	5,100 00
For expenses of parking commission.....	7,000 00
For expenses of gas for streets, public buildings and offices.....	58,276 75
For expenses of gas-lamps and repairs.....	1,362 41
For expenses of rent of public buildings.....	11,561 69
For expenses of repairs of public buildings.....	21,231 00
For expenses of construction of gravel-pit, extension of sewerage, re- building of sewers, and erecting street-lamps.....	80,159 05
For expenses of repairs of pavements to be charged to contractors re- quiring cash advance by the District of Columbia.....	47,818 17
For expenses of general advertising.....	15,000 00
For expenses of pay of contractors' laborers, (approved June 23, 1874)..	24,351 57
For expenses of deficiencies fire department, (approved June 22, 1874)..	49
For expenses of interest on the funded debt of the District of Columbia, not including 3.65 bonds.....	375,992 00
For expenses of interest on the funded debt of the late corporation of Washington.....	259,237 48

Total estimated expenditures to June 30, 1875.....	<u>1,572,066 52</u>
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Recapitulation.

Balance cash on hand December 1, 1874.....	\$168,859 45
Estimated receipts to June 30, 1875.....	1,535,600 00
To cash on hand and estimated receipts to June 30, 1875.....	1,704,459 45
Total estimated expenditures to June 30, 1875.....	<u>1,572,066 52</u>
Estimated balance June 30, 1875.....	132,393 93

DEBT.

Statement of the funded and other debts of the District of Columbia and of the late corporation of Washington and Georgetown, viz :

Georgetown 6 per cent. general stock.....	\$188,885 00	
Georgetown 8 per cent. general stock.....	20,000 00	
Georgetown 6 per cent. bounty-stock.....	20,000 00	
Georgetown 6 per cent. market-stock.....	30,804 21	
Georgetown steam force-pump, act June 26, 1873.....	8,500 00	
		<u>\$260,189 21</u>
Washington 5 per cent. registered stock, act August 19, 1828.....	54,807 00	
Washington 6 per cent. stock, act October 25, 1843.....	685,517 22	
Washington 6 per cent. canal-stock, act April 14, 1847...	48,800 00	
Washington ten-year bonds, act June 2, 1859.....	85,777 00	
Washington ten-year bonds, act July 27, 1868, \$445,150 less \$93,750 redeemed by commissioners sinking-fund..	351,400 00	
Washington three-year bonds, act July 7, 1870.....	3,100 00	
Washington five-year bonds, act July 7, 1870.....	192,450 00	
Washington funding-loan bonds, act May 8, 1872.....	1,150,000 00	
Washington funding-loan bonds, act June 20, 1872, \$1,650,000 less in hands of commissioners of sinking-fund \$672,700, and in hands of commissioners of the District \$450,000.....	527,300 00	3,099,151 22
District of Columbia permanent-improvement bonds, act July 10, 1871.....	4,000,000 00	
District of Columbia permanent-improvement bonds, act June 23, 1873, \$260,000 less \$12,000 in hands of commissioners of the District.....	248,000 00	
District of Columbia permanent-improvement bonds, act June 25, 1873.....	530,000 00	
District of Columbia water-stock, act July 20, 1871.....	450,000 00	
District of Columbia water-stock, act July 26, 1873, \$35,000 less \$9,000 in hands of commissioners sinking-fund....	26,000 00	
District of Columbia market-stock, act August 23, 1871...	152,400 00	
District of Columbia Chicago relief bonds, act October 18, 1871.....	100,000 00	
District of Columbia county-school bonds, act June 26, 1873.....	18,200 00	
		<u>5,524,600 00</u>
Bonded debt issued prior to July 1, 1874.....		8,883,940 43
District of Columbia 3.65 bonds issued to December 5, 1874, under act of Congress June 20, 1874.....	2,088,168 73	
District of Columbia certificates issued by the board of audit convertible into 3.65 bonds, but not yet converted.....	4,770,558 45	
		<u>6,858,727 18</u>
Total.....		<u>15,742,667 61</u>
District of Columbia unadjusted claims before the board of audit, (estimated,) \$3,147,787.48.		
There remains uncollected special-improvement assessments, in excess of all demands against the same, \$3,176,454.37; of which \$1,552,400 is by law to be applied to the redemption of special-improvement bonds, (commonly called greenbacks;) the remainder, when collected, may be applied (if authorized by law) to the redemption of the general indebtedness.....	1,614,054 37	
There are also in the hands of the commissioners of the sinking-fund Chesapeake and Ohio Canal bonds.....	75,000 00	
Washington and Alexandria Railroad bonds in litigation, which when realized may be also used in the reduction of the general indebtedness.....	59,000 00	
		<u>1,748,054 37</u>
Leaving as the actual debt of the District, less said assets.....		13,994,613 24

But the aggregate sum thus stated includes something more than the funded debt chargeable exclusively to the District of Columbia.

The act of Congress of June 20, 1874, contemplates an apportionment between the United States Government and the District of Columbia in respect of the payment of the principal and interest of the 3.65 bonds. Therefore, in computing with precision the bonded debt of the District, the aggregate sums above stated—as respects 3.65 bonds now issued, the outstanding certificates of the board of audit, and the estimated unadjusted claims pending before that board—should be reduced to the extent of the amount to be apportioned to the United States Government in the manner indicated in the act of Congress of June 20, 1874.

With such an adjustment, and a revaluation of the taxable property of the District so as to equalize the assessments, aided by an economical administration of whatever form of government Congress may establish, the property-holders of the District will be largely relieved of their present unequal and onerous taxes. Under such conditions the debt of the District will practically cease being a burden to the people of the District. With a reasonable sinking-fund for the payment of the principal the debt will be rapidly extinguished.

We append hereto the following reports:

1. Report of the secretary, showing the orders of the commissioners adapting the government to the changes made by the abolishing of the board of public works, the changes in the organization of the trustees of the public schools, and other institutions of the District, &c.

2. The report of the attorney for the District shows that only in a single instance has any effort been made to enjoin the commissioners in the discharge of their official duties. In the case referred to an unsuccessful attempt was made to prevent the commissioners from superseding a delinquent contractor in the prosecution of a public work. It is gratifying to the commissioners that in no other instance have their proceedings been the occasion of recourse to the courts. It may also be added that during their term of office no judgments have been obtained against the District.

The report of the attorney also refers to the questions of the title to wharf property in the District and of the rental due from the Washington Market Company, both of which are subjects for congressional consideration.

The business of the attorney's office during the past five months is also reported by that officer; and it will be observed that the commissioners have made no expenditure for legal counsel or services beyond the moderate salaries fixed by law for the offices of the attorney and assistant attorney.

COMPTROLLER'S REPORT.

3. The report of the comptroller gives a detailed statement of the receipts and disbursements of the Government from June 20, 1874, to December 1, 1874, accompanied by a detailed statement certified by the commissioners, showing all disbursements of the government of the District within said period, and naming respectively the amounts, the persons paid, and the accounts on which paid.

The act of Congress approved June 23, 1874, required only that in respect of the congressional appropriation therein made, no money should be drawn from the United States Treasury except upon a detailed statement of the facts above indicated. But depositing in the United States Treasury all moneys received from all sources whatsoever, the commis-

sioners of the District extended to every disbursement the requirements which the act of Congress prescribed as to only a single class of payments; and, indeed, the commissioners added further precautions in respect to every payment. Accompanying this report will be found that of the deputy comptroller, from which it appears that when from the aggregate sum now chargeable under existing laws to private property by way of assessment for special improvements, there shall have been deducted the aggregate sum of the certificates payable from the proceeds of such assessments, there will then remain the sum of one million six hundred and fourteen thousand and fifty-four dollars and thirty-seven cents, which, when collected, will be available for such purposes as may by law be directed.

AUDITOR.

4. The report of the auditor of the District shows the operations of his office from the organization of the present government, the number of audits made during that time, and the amount allowed and audited; also, the number and amount of claims presented and not audited, with suggestions as to congressional legislation on what he deems meritorious claims not audited.

COLLECTOR.

5. The report of the collector of the District gives detailed estimates of the revenues from taxes and licenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1875, and June 30, 1876.

TREASURER.

6. The report of the treasurer of the District shows the amounts received by him and their sources, except appropriations of Congress.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

7. The report of the commissioners of the fire department shows its condition and wants, with statement of expenditures, since June 20, 1874, and estimates of expenses for fiscal years ending June 30, 1874, and June 30, 1876.

POLICE.

8. The report of the board of police shows estimates of expenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1875, and June 30, 1876, with the recommendations for additional station-houses, &c.

9. The report of the trustees of the public schools exhibits that important department of the Government in a prosperous condition in view of its limited resources, with the suggestions and recommendations for the enlargement of its facilities and improvement of its methods, which deserve the careful consideration of Congress. Estimates of the expenses of the public schools for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1875, and June 30, 1876, are embraced in the trustees' report.

The special attention of Congress is invited to the communication of the president of the board of trustees of public schools relative to the new school-house in Georgetown, and the application for an appropriation of \$86,865 for the completion of the building, and other purposes.

10. The report of the commissioner of the Washington Asylum gives a detailed statement of the paupers and prisoners in the asylum since

June 20, 1874, with important suggestions relative to this institution and recommendations for the separation of the paupers and the prisoners of the District, and using the asylum buildings for other purposes. Accompanying this report will be found the report of the physician of the asylum; also a statement by the intendant of the asylum of the expenses for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1875, and June 30, 1876.

THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

11. We invite the attention of Congress to the very intelligent report of the board of health, showing the operations of the board in relation to matters under the direction of the commissioners.

It gives us pleasure to make our acknowledgments to the board for the zeal and fidelity with which they have attended to the matters referred to, and for the aid they have rendered us in the premises.

SINKING-FUND.

12. We venture to call the attention of Congress to the comprehensive and careful report of the commissioners of the sinking-fund, and especially to their suggestions relating to the ambiguity in the act of June 20, 1874, respecting the guarantee by the United States of the 3.65 bonds authorized to be issued in payment of certificates of indebtedness issued by the board of audit, and to their recommendation that the interest on the 3.65 bonds be made payable in coin, and also for the consolidation of the various securities of Georgetown, Washington, and the District of Columbia (not including the 3.65 bonds) into one series of bonds.

ENGINEER.

13. The report of the engineer shows, among other things—

1. The cost to complete contracts resumed, payable in 3.65 bonds, \$1,721,270.11.

2. Contracts of doubtful obligation on which the order of suspension has not been revoked, if completed, payable in 3.65 bonds, \$184,408.84.

3. Claims for contracts made under awards, so called, rejected by the commissioners, if finally payable in 3.65 bonds, \$437.123.

4. Work done on contracts payable in 3.65 bonds, from July 8, 1874, to date of last measurement, \$548,383.25.

5. Expenditures of engineer's office, including care of public buildings and markets, clerical and field work and labor, from July 8, 1874, to November 30, inclusive, \$35,298.13.

6. Current expenses for necessary work; for repairs of all kinds, including repairs of public buildings and markets, labor and materials, from July 8, 1874, to November 30, inclusive, (3.65 bonds,) \$46,104; (cash,) \$13,213.34.

7. Expenditures for rental of public buildings to November 30, 1874, \$9,758.33.

8. Estimate of expenditures for all purposes except contracts of the late board of public works under the engineer's office for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1875, \$304,620.17.

9. Estimated cost of continuing the present force of employes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1875, \$57,528.56.

10. All expenditures (not including the cost of maintaining the present force) under the engineer's office for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1876, estimated cost, \$423,216.21.

ASSESSMENT OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The report of the assessors of real estate appraised under the act of June 20, 1873, shows the principles on which they appraised the property of the several churches in the District. The additional amount of taxes resulting from this appraisement is \$46,657.12, the total additional valuation of property being \$1,500,744.

In closing this report we recognize it as a duty, as it is a pleasure, to make mention of the aid we have received from the tax-payers of the District in their liberal payments of taxes during our administration, which have considerably exceeded in amount the estimates furnished us on entering upon our duties. Without this timely aid it would have been impossible for the commissioners to have reported the gratifying financial results shown in the report. And the commissioners have great pleasure in making their special acknowledgments to the engineer, his assistants and employés; the secretary and his assistants; the heads of the several bureaus, their clerks and employés, and the attorney and assistant attorney, for the intelligence and fidelity with which they have discharged their several duties.

During the period in which the commissioners have administered the affairs of the District, the eminent citizens whom they have called to their aid as municipal officers, and the people in general, have alike striven to promote the welfare of the District, which by its beauty and adornment is worthy of remaining the capital of the nation, and is justly regarded with pride by the country.

WM. DENNISON,
HENRY T. BLOW,
J. H. KETCHAM,

Commissioners of the District of Columbia.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, D. C., December 1, 1874.

To the Commissioners of the District of Columbia :

The following respecting the transactions of the commissioners appointed under the act of Congress of June 20, 1874, for the government of the District of Columbia, is respectfully submitted.

The first meeting was held on the 3d of July last, when, after organizing, they addressed themselves to the work of simplifying the official machinery of the District, and adapting it to the new requirements, as set forth in the following copy of their orders, and also entered actively upon the discharge of the current duties of administration.

Very respectfully,

WM. TINDALL,
Secretary.

JULY 7, 1874.

Ordered, That the books, records, and accounts of the auditor of the board of public works be, and are hereby, transferred to the auditor of the District of Columbia, who shall discharge each and all the duties heretofore performed by the auditor of the board of public works, without additional compensation therefor;

That the books, records, and accounts of the assessor of the board of public works which pertain to the collection of assessments be, and are hereby, transferred to the collector of taxes of the District of Columbia, who shall discharge each and all the duties heretofore performed by the assessor of the board of public works with reference to the collection of assessments, without additional compensation therefor;

That the books, records, and accounts of the assessor of the board of public works which pertain to the making and preparation of assessments be, and are hereby, transferred to the superintendent of assessments and taxes of the District of Columbia, who shall discharge each and all the duties heretofore performed by the assessor of the board of public works with reference to the making and preparation of assessments, without additional compensation therefor;

That the books, records, and accounts of the late treasurer of the board of public works of the District of Columbia be, and are hereby, transferred to the comptroller of the District of Columbia;

That all moneys, bonds, and other securities in the treasury of the late board of public works shall forthwith be deposited in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of, and subject to the order of, the commissioners of the District of Columbia;

That the surveyor of the District of Columbia be, and is hereby,

directed to report to, and is made subject to the direction of, the engineer of the commissioners of the District;

That all existing offices under the late board of public works be, and the same are hereby, abolished from and after this date, and that all officers, assistant engineers, superintendents, assistant superintendents, inspectors, laborers, watchmen, messengers, clerks, and all other employes of the said late board of public works be, and are hereby, discharged from service from and after this date;

That the offices of the register of the District of Columbia and deputy register of the District of Columbia be, and the same are hereby, abolished; and the books, records, and accounts of the same are hereby transferred to the comptroller of the District of Columbia, who shall perform each and all the duties heretofore performed by the register of the District of Columbia, without additional compensation therefor;

That the office of inspector and tapper of water-mains be, and the same is hereby, abolished; and the duties of said office shall hereafter be performed by the engineer of the commission;

That the offices of public printer, all deputy collectors of taxes, and deputy auditor be, and the same are hereby, abolished;

That the offices of secretary and treasurer of the fire-department, secretary of the public schools of the city of Washington, treasurer of the public schools of the city of Washington, treasurer and secretary of the public schools of the city of Georgetown, and treasurer and secretary of the public schools of the county of Washington be, and the same are hereby, abolished; and that the books, records, and accounts of those offices respectively, and the duties of the same, so far as they pertain to the disbursement of money, be, and the same are hereby, transferred to the comptroller of the District of Columbia, who shall discharge said duties without additional compensation therefor;

That all offices of scavenger be, and the same are hereby, abolished;

That the supervision and care of the buildings under occupancy by the government of the District of Columbia be, and the same are, committed to the engineer of this commission;

That the report of the engineer of this commission for the organization of his office is hereby approved, and the appointments therein recommended by him are hereby confirmed and made;

That the business hours of all offices of the District of Columbia shall be from 9 o'clock a. m. until 4 o'clock p. m.

JULY 8, 1874.

Ordered, That the Treasury of the United States be made the depository of all moneys, bonds, and money-securities of the District of Columbia.

JULY 10, 1874.

Ordered, That the executive headquarters of the late District government, and all offices connected therewith, be abolished, and all employes and officers of the same discharged; that the building occupied thereby be turned over to the owners, and the rent paid to August 1, 1874; and that the engineer and secretary of the commission have the public property therein removed; and that the office of this commission be located in the Columbian building, Four-and-a-half street northwest. No advertising shall hereafter be done excepting on the express direction of the commissioners;

That the engineer be directed to sell all horses, carriages, and harness belonging to the District excepting one covered wagon and two wagons and four horses for the transportation of the engineer and field-parties

while on duty, and deposit the money he shall receive therefor with the District treasurer; to retain one driver and discharge the others;

That copies of all pay-rolls be filed with this commission at the earliest practicable moment;

That all current expenses be paid on the first Monday of each month;

That the engineer reduce the number of property-yards to two, as soon as practicable;

That the offices of eleven assessors be abolished, and the persons holding the same discharged from this date;

That the secretary notify the physicians to the poor to make their report for the quarter ending the 30th ultimo;

That one watchman be continued at the legislative hall, subject to the direction of the engineer, and all other officers and employes therein discharged;

That the comptroller, auditor, and treasurer of the District be, and are hereby, constituted a commission to receive from the late treasurer of the board of public works all moneys, bonds, and other securities in his possession; to ascertain and specifically inventory the same, and thereupon to deposit the same in the Treasury of the United States to the credit and subject to the orders of the commissioners of the District;

That the office of superintendent of lamps be abolished, and the duties of the same transferred to the engineer, who is authorized, with the approval of the commissioners, to employ an overseer at the rate of \$960 per annum;

That all contracts hereafter given out shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, after due notice by advertisement, and the right reserved to reject any and all bids.

JULY 11, 1874.

Ordered, That the comptroller and auditor of the District of Columbia shall hereafter have control, subject to the approval of this commission, of the purchase of all supplies of fuel and stationery for all the public offices, public schools, and schools for colored children of the District, and of all supplies and material for the Washington Asylum and Georgetown Almshouse; such purchases to be made, after due advertisement, from the lowest responsible bidder;

That the offices of the commissioners and secretary of the Washington Asylum be, and they are hereby, abolished, and the intendant of the asylum shall hereafter discharge, without additional compensation therefor, the duties of the commissioners of the asylum, other than the purchase of supplies and material, and shall make to the commissioners of the District the monthly reports heretofore required by law to be made to the commissioners of the asylum, and shall submit weekly accounts of all disbursements and receipts, accompanied by proper vouchers, to be examined and audited by the accounting officers of the District;

That the offices of secretary and treasurer of colored schools be, and the same are hereby, abolished, and that the books, records, and accounts of said treasurer, and his duties respecting the disbursement of money, shall be transferred to the comptroller, who shall discharge such duties without additional compensation therefor;

That the office of inspector and weigher of coal in Washington, now held by Stephen Prentiss, be, and is hereby, abolished.

JULY 13, 1874.

Ordered, That before application is made to the engineer for permits to open streets for introduction of water and gas services, or for other

purposes, it shall be necessary to deposit with the collector the sum or money heretofore required by law, and the collector is hereby required to receive and account for such moneys. And whenever, in the judgment of the engineer, it shall be necessary to impose a forfeit to protect public property, in such cases the forfeit shall be deposited with the collector, to be released only upon the certificate of the engineer that the conditions of the permit have been complied with, and that no damage has resulted to public property;

That hereafter the market-master be subject to the supervision and direction of the engineer;

That all contractors with the late board of public works are hereby requested to present the pay-rolls of the laborers employed by them whose payment by this commission is contemplated by the act of Congress entitled "An act for the government of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes," approved June 20, 1874. The rolls must be attested by the oath or affirmation of the contractors, taken before a notary public or justice of the peace, and delivered to the commission on or before the 17th instant.

JULY 16, 1874.

Ordered, That paragraphs 2 and 3 of the order passed by the commissioners on the 7th day of July, 1874, be, and the same are hereby, amended and modified so as to provide as follows:

That the office of assessor and collector of the board of public works be, and is hereby, abolished, and the books, records, and accounts of said office be, and are hereby, transferred to the office of the comptroller of the district; and the duties heretofore performed by the assessor and collector of the board of public works shall hereafter be discharged, without additional compensation, by the deputy comptroller of the District.

JULY 17, 1874.

Ordered, That all work under contracts of the late board of public works, except that pertaining to sewers, is hereby suspended, and the same shall not be resumed except upon the approval of the commissioners, and by the written order of the engineer;

That an examination of the work on the sewers and other public improvements be made at once by the engineer of this board, to determine the initial point of the work which is to be done under this commission;

That the seal of the late government of the District of Columbia be, and is hereby, adopted as the seal of this commission.

JULY 20, 1874.

Ordered, That all official bonds shall be filed with the treasurer of the District of Columbia;

That on all checks drawn by the auditor and comptroller on the Treasury of the United States, either of the commissioners is hereby authorized to countersign the same as per printed form.

JULY 21, 1874.

Ordered, That on a settlement with the sinking-fund commissioners of the amount due to them or by them, weekly payments of the amount due them on collections be made every Monday morning.

JULY 22, 1874.

Ordered, That paragraph 8 of the order passed by the commissioners of the District on the 7th day of July, 1874, be, and the same is, amended and modified so far as to provide as follows:

That the offices of register of the District of Columbia and deputy-register of the District of Columbia be, and the same are hereby, abolished; and that the books, records, and accounts of the same are hereby transferred to the collector of taxes of the District of Columbia, who shall perform each and all the duties heretofore performed by the register of the District of Columbia, without additional compensation therefor;

That the control of the collectors of garbage be given to the board of health until otherwise ordered;

That all old material upon the line of proposed improvements shall be measured and its value assessed by the engineer before any work is commenced. The value of this material shall be credited to the improvement, and the cost of its removal charged to the same. The contractor for the work will be held responsible for the old material. He will be charged with its assessed value and credited with what is used on the work or delivered at such points as may be designated by the engineer, receiving a fair price for the removal;

That no payments be made to workmen employed by contractors of the late board of public works until workmen employed on public improvements on the streets and excavations of Washington under the said late board of public works of the District shall have been paid.

JULY 24, 1874.

Ordered, That the assistant attorney be requested to report the number of persons selling liquor without license, and also to furnish any information in regard to violations of liquor and restaurant licenses that may come under his observation.

JULY 31, 1874.

Ordered, That the offices of physicians for the poor and the offices of apothecaries for the poor be, and they are hereby, abolished.

AUGUST 1, 1874.

Ordered, That no warrant shall be drawn except upon money actually in the Treasury to the credit of the fund drawn against to the full amount of the warrant.

AUGUST 3, 1874.

Ordered, That all applications for admission to the Washington Asylum as paupers shall be made to the superintendent of police, who will examine each case, and if he shall be satisfied such admission is necessary, he will certify the fact to the commissioners for their action;

That one copy of the above paragraph be sent to the superintendent of police and one to the intendant of the Washington Asylum;

That all medical supplies for the Georgetown Almshouse be provided by the intendant of the Washington Asylum, on the requisition of the trustees of the poor of Georgetown, and that the said intendant report to the commissioners of the District, on the first Monday of each month, the kind and cost of the supplies so provided.

AUGUST 4, 1874.

Ordered, That all proposals for contracts for supplies, &c., shall be opened in the presence of one or more of the commissioners.

AUGUST 8, 1874.

Ordered, That the three boards of trustees of public schools, and the board of trustees of schools for colored children in the District of Columbia, be, and they are hereby, consolidated into one board of

trustees of public schools, consisting of nine residents of Washington, three residents of Georgetown, and three residents of the county of Washington; and the several appointments heretofore made to the respective boards thus consolidated shall be, and hereby are, vacated;

That the order relating to assessors of taxes, passed July 10, A. D. 1874, be, and is hereby, modified so as to provide as follows:

That the eleven offices of assessors of taxes be, and they are hereby, consolidated into six;

That George W. Riggs, Henry A. Willard, and Anthony Hyde are hereby appointed assessors of taxes;

That the above-named assessors are hereby directed to proceed, immediately after their acceptance and qualification, to assess for the purposes of the special tax directed by section 4 of the act of Congress of June 20, 1874, all taxable real estate subject to said tax and not included in the present assessment;

That all the real estate in the District, except that belonging to the United States or the District, or that used for educational or charitable purposes, must be included either in the present assessment or the supplemental one herein authorized;

That no contract of the existing contracts of the late board of public works be continued until its legality be certified to by the attorney for the District; provided that said contracts which have been ordered by the commissioners shall continue until the attorney for the District can examine and certify as to their legality; and provided further, that nothing in this order shall be construed to prevent the commissioners from suspending or annulling any contract of the late board of public works the legality of which may be certified to by the attorney for the District.

AUGUST 12, 1874.

Ordered, That the fire-limits of the cities of Washington and Georgetown be extended as follows: Within the inner building-line of the following named streets and avenues, viz: Beginning at Rock Creek and Virginia avenue, thence along said avenue to B street north, thence along the Potomac River to B street south, thence along said street to Virginia avenue, thence along said avenue to South Capitol street, thence along North Carolina avenue to Lincoln Square and Massachusetts avenue, thence along said Massachusetts avenue to North Capitol street, thence along said street to K street north, thence along said street to New Jersey avenue, thence along said avenue to Q street north, thence along said street to Sixth street west, thence along said street to Boundary street, thence along said Boundary street to Eighth street west, thence along said street to Q street north, thence along said street to Thirteenth street west, thence along said street to Boundary street, thence along said Boundary street to Fifteenth street west, thence along said street to Q street north, thence along said street to Nineteenth street west, thence along said street to R street north, thence along said street to Twentieth street west, thence along said street to S street north, thence along said street to Boundary street, thence along said Boundary street to Rock Creek at P street north, in the city of Washington, and thence along West street from Rock Creek to High street, thence along said street to Potomac River, Georgetown, thence along said Potomac River to the place of beginning;

That it shall not be lawful to erect, construct, enlarge, or remove any wooden buildings anywhere within the area embraced within said fire-limits.

AUGUST 14, 1874.

Ordered, All applications for coffins for the burial of deceased paupers must be made to the board of health, that board being hereby authorized to issue orders on the contracting undertaker for coffins, after an investigation of any case presented to it shall have indicated the propriety of such action. Upon the application of said board the intendant of the Washington Asylum will grant grave-sites at the grave-yard of the asylum, the said board to make to the commissioners monthly reports of the coffins and grave-sites so provided ;

That the intendant of the Washington Asylum is hereby directed to embrace in his weekly reports to be made hereafter a statement of the manner in which he shall have enforced the law to cause all persons committed for offenses against the laws to be employed in some useful work ;

That said intendant is hereby directed to employ part or the whole of the working-force under his control in work on the avenues, streets, alleys, parks, and squares of the cities of Washington and Georgetown, and on the roads and public works in Washington County, and on the public property of the District of Columbia, for its improvement, repair or preservation ; the number of workmen and the nature and place of the work to be designated under the direction of the engineer of the District, and the labor to be performed under the supervision of members of the metropolitan police, appointed at the charge and expense and on the application of the District of Columbia ;

That the engineer of this District is hereby authorized to make, from time to time, as may be required, the application to the board of police required by the eleventh section of the act of Congress of August 6, 1861, for the appointment of such police patrolmen as may be necessary for the supervision of the labors of the prisoners, and to pledge the District of Columbia for the payment of their salaries ;

That the pay of each special policeman appointed to superintend the labors of the prisoners shall not exceed \$3 per day of actual service, and that the District shall reserve the right to terminate the contract with such policemen at any time, on five days' notice through the engineer department ;

That the secretary notify each of the papers of Washington that the commissioners do not recognize their liability to pay for any advertisement since they came into office, except as specially directed by them through their secretary.

AUGUST 24, 1874.

Ordered, That no contract for supplies or repairs for any purpose involving the expenditure of money shall be made by any officer or employé connected with the District government, excepting with the written approval of this commission.

AUGUST 27, 1874.

Ordered, That the order of November 7, 1873, of the late board of public works permitting persons to do work in front of their premises where the streets were under contract, be, and the same is hereby, revoked ;

All permits of this character, upon which work has not already been commenced, in pursuance of grades given by the engineer, are hereby canceled ;

2. That no warrant of attorney to collect or receive any debt due from the District of Columbia shall be recognized by any accountant or disbursing officer of said District, unless said warrant shall recite the nature

of the consideration, and, as near as may be, the amount and date of maturity of the debt, and unless it be signed by the party or parties in interest, attested as to each signature by two competent witnesses, and acknowledged by the party or parties executing it before an officer having authority to take the acknowledgment of deeds, who shall certify such acknowledgment; and unless it shall appear by said certificate that such officer, at the time of making out such acknowledgment, read and fully explained such warrant of attorney to the person or persons acknowledging the same.

SEPTEMBER 9, 1874.

Ordered, That paragraph 1 of the order of August 8, 1874, be, and is hereby, so amended as to read as follows:

That the three boards of trustees of public schools and the board of trustees of schools for colored children in the District of Columbia be, and they are hereby, consolidated into one board of trustees of public schools, consisting of nineteen trustees of public schools, in and for the District of Columbia, eleven of whom shall be residents of the city of Washington, three of whom shall be residents of the city of Georgetown, and five of whom shall be residents of the county of Washington; provided, that nothing herein contained shall affect the appointments of trustees of public schools made in pursuance of said order of August 8, 1874.

SEPTEMBER 21, 1874.

Ordered, That the offices of physician of the Washington Asylum and resident student of Washington Asylum be, and they are hereby, consolidated under the name of resident physician to the Washington Asylum, at an annual salary of four hundred and eighty dollars;

2. That all moneys hereafter paid for fines or parts of fines to secure the release of prisoners under sentence and confined at the workhouse shall be paid to the clerk of the police court, and by him be transferred to the deputy marshal on duty with said police court; and that the order for release shall be under seal of the police court and attested by the clerk, and shall be kept on file by the intendant of the asylum and workhouse;

3. That the United States marshal for the District of Columbia is hereby requested to pay, out of any funds belonging to the said District that may hereafter be in his hands, the fees accrued since June 20, 1874, of all witnesses for the District in the criminal court in appeal cases from the police court, taking as vouchers the signature of the witness to the customary pay-roll and the certificate of the court clerk to the attendance of the witness; and all fees so paid by the marshal shall be allowed to him in his settlement with the District;

4. That all claims against the public schools, before being audited or paid, shall have been approved by the board of trustees of public schools.

SEPTEMBER 22, 1874.

Ordered, That the opinion of the attorney of the District of Columbia, that the entry made by the board of appeals in fixing the valuation of the property known as "Vernon Row," on lot 8, square 379, at eighty thousand dollars may be disregarded as being without authority of law, be, and the same is approved; and that the superintendent of assessments be directed to restore on his books the said property for taxation at a valuation of forty thousand dollars.

SEPTEMBER 24, 1874.

Ordered, That the board of trustees of public schools is hereby directed to report to the commissioners for the District of Columbia a schedule of all the school-sites or other pieces of real estate owned, bargained for, purchased or occupied for public-school purposes within said District, stating particularly in regard to each piece the description of the land, the date of acquisition, by what title it is held, in whom the title is vested, the amount of purchase-money, the amount and nature of incumbrances, if any, the amount of purchase-money overdue and unpaid, or not yet due; if rented or leased, for what time and on what terms, and by whom, and in each case the name of the custodian of the title-papers; also a schedule of all pieces of real estate sold since February 21, 1871, by any board of public schools within said District, with names of grantors and grantees, amount of purchase-money, and terms of sale;

2. That before the purchase by the board of trustees for public schools of any lands and premises for school purposes, the title shall be certified as good by the attorney for the District, the purchase shall be made in the name of, and the title shall be vested in, the District of Columbia, the deeds shall be approved as to form by said attorney before acceptance, duly recorded in the land-records of the District, and shall then be deposited for safe-keeping in the office of the surveyor of said District.

OCTOBER 9, 1874.

Ordered, That section 2 of the order of July 11, 1874, be modified so as to read as follows, viz:

That the three offices of three commissioners of the Washington Asylum be, and they are hereby, consolidated into one under the name of "commissioner of the asylum," to hold said office at the pleasure of the commissioners of the District of Columbia or their successors;

That the office of secretary to the commissioners of the Washington Asylum be, and is hereby, abolished.

OCTOBER 14, 1874.

Ordered, That the collector be, and he is hereby, directed to require of every applicant for a wholesale liquor license, whose place of business is within the city of Washington, the bond with two sureties provided for in the act of the late corporation of Washington, approved October 12, 1854.

OCTOBER 15, 1874.

The system of purchasing articles prevailing in various departments of the District government, without an intelligent understanding of their value, is so pernicious, demoralizing, and discreditable, that it is—

Ordered, That hereafter no requisition for leading supplies will be considered unless accompanied by evidences that the same can be furnished at the cash market-value; nor will any account be audited and paid for supplies furnished above fair market rates.

NOVEMBER 13, 1874.

Ordered, That the board of trustees of public schools be, and they are hereby, requested to have contracts regularly executed in writing at the earliest practicable moment in all cases of rental of houses or rooms for public-school purposes, where the same have not been made, and that they file in this office copies, certified by the secretary of the board, of all such contracts that have been made and that may hereafter be made under the direction of this commission.

APPENDIX A.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, D. C., December 1, 1874.

To the Commissioners of the District of Columbia:

I have the honor to submit the following estimate of amounts requisite to the support of this office for the seven months ending June 30, 1875, and for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1876:

For seven months ending June 30, 1875:

One clerk, at \$1,800 per annum, less 20 per cent.....	\$840 00
Two clerks, at \$1,500 per annum each, less 20 per cent.....	1,400 00
One messenger, at \$900 per annum, less 20 per cent.....	420 00
Miscellaneous.....	1,000 00

For fiscal year ending June 30, 1876:

One clerk, at \$1,800 per annum, less 20 per cent.....	\$1,440 00
Two clerks, at \$1,500 per annum, less 20 per cent.....	2,400 00
One messenger, at \$900 per annum, less 20 per cent.....	720 00
Miscellaneous.....	2,000 00

Very respectfully,

WM. TINDALL, *Secretary.*

ATTORNEY'S REPORT.

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, December 5, 1874.

To the Commissioners of the District of Columbia :

In compliance with your request, I submit the following estimate of expenses of the office of the attorney for the District of Columbia upon the basis of the present salaries:

For the residue of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1875:	
Salary of attorney.....	\$1,400
Salary of assistant attorney.....	700
Salary of clerk.....	560
Salary of clerk.....	140
Salary of messenger.....	140
Total.....	2,940
For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1876:	
Salary of attorney.....	2,400
Salary of assistant attorney.....	1,200
Salary of clerk.....	960
Salary of clerk.....	240
Salary of messenger.....	240
Total.....	5,040

It is estimated that the annual receipts which will be obtained for the treasury of the District from police-court fines will be \$6,000.

In consequence of the radical change of the government of the District of Columbia, made by the act of Congress approved June 20, 1874, many complicated legal questions have arisen in the administration of municipal affairs, and numerous claims and demands have been presented for the consideration of the commissioners of the District. Legal opinions required in such matters have been rendered in writing, and a record of the same carefully kept. The number of separate written opinions thus given during the past five months is 213. This does not include the briefer and less elaborate reports made in the form of indorsements.]

Since the commissioners assumed the administration of affairs, only a single effort has been made to enjoin them in the performance of official duties. Messrs. Wholly and Brainard, who had a contract with the late board of public works for the construction of the James Creek sea-walls, filed a bill in equity to enjoin the commissioners of the District from placing other persons in charge of the completion of the work under a section of the contract which authorized the board of public works to exercise that power of discontinuance and substitution in the event of unnecessary delay, willful violation of the contract, or its execution in bad faith by the original contractors, and to charge any additional expense to the original contractors. The theory of the bill of complaint was, that the commissioners did not succeed to the above-mentioned power given by the terms of the contract to the board of public works, and, moreover, that the exercise of such power would be

in violation of the act of June 20, 1874. The case was an important one, as the section of the contract under which the commissioners had proceeded is also contained in other contracts made by the late board of public works; and it provides an efficient mode of enforcing the faithful performance of work. If the exercise of the power had been enjoined, the commissioners would have been disarmed as respects the enforcement of contracts made by the board of public works. But after argument, and the intimations given by the court at the hearing, the complainants voluntarily dismissed their bill. Thus ended the only effort which has been made during the past five months to enjoin the commissioners in the discharge of their official duties. Nor in that period has any judgment been recovered against the District.

Before the change made in the government of the District by the last Congress, there had been obtained in the supreme court of the District four judgments, aggregating the sum of \$10,135.57, which remained unsatisfied. In these cases, it was attempted to seize under execution property of the District and of the late board of public works required for public use. The writs of execution, however, were in every case quashed, and the operations of the commissioners relieved from embarrassment. From the receipts of taxes replenishing the proper fund these judgments were afterward paid.

There are pending in the courts of the District a number of actions for damages for personal injuries begun before the commissioners assumed office. The trial of these causes will doubtless be postponed until certain other cases, involving the question of the liability of the District for the condition of streets and excavations while the board of public works had by law exclusive control of streets and avenues, shall have been decided by the Supreme Court of the United States, in which tribunal they are now pending.

The question of title to wharf-property in the District of Columbia is in a measure involved in a case tried in the circuit court during the present term, in which the rights of the District were successfully defended by the assistant attorney. The cause has been carried on appeal to the supreme court of the District in general term. The controversy over the title to wharf-property is a grave and complicated one, seriously affecting the interests of the District and of the National Government. It can hardly be settled in the single case above referred to; but its determination in some manner should at an early day be effected. I beg leave to suggest the propriety of congressional legislation for the institution of suits by the Attorney-General, or by the authorities of the District, in the name of the United States, with a view to establish the rights of the Government in respect of the Potomac frontage of the District.

The obligations of the Washington Market Company under its charter have been the subject of investigation under the direction of the commissioners of the District. The charter of that company, dated May 20, 1870, required it to pay an annual rental of \$25,000 to the District government, to be by it expended as a trust-fund for support and maintenance of the poor. This constitutes the only fund set aside by law for the benefit of the poor of the District. The Market Company claims that this rental was reduced to \$20,000 by joint resolution of the District legislative assembly. Afterwards, under congressional enactments authorizing the purchase of a site for a building for offices of the District government, the board of public works purchased ground from the Market Company, agreeing as a consideration therefor to reduce the annual rental to a sum varying from \$5,500 to \$7,500, according

to the amount of annual tax upon the company. But the construction of the enactment of the legislative assembly which is relied on by the company as reducing the annual rental is a questionable one, and the power of that body by plain terms, even, to diminish the amount of a trust-fund created by Congress is still more doubtful. So, also, the sale of land which the Market Company attempted to make as a site for the District building is of doubtful validity, inasmuch as the ground is held on lease from the United States subject to certain trusts. Legal proceedings touching this matter have not been taken, because the subject is pending before Congress upon reports made by the proper committees thereof, and definitive action will doubtless there be had. Meanwhile the Market Company pays the reduced rental, the District government, however, carefully reserving and guarding its rights in respect of the larger sum.

The following table shows the disposition of municipal cases in the police court from August 1 to December, 1874:

Disposition of municipal cases in police court of District of Columbia.

Week ending—	Cases tried.	Convictions.	Acquitted.	Dismissed by attorney.	Appeals to supreme court.	Fines imposed.	*Collateral forfeited.
August 1.....	126	118	2	6	4	\$565	\$144
August 8.....	147	128	10	9	13	1,868	176
August 15.....	122	106	6	10	5	917	132
August 22.....	142	128	7	7	7	654	128
August 29.....	117	97	12	8	6	854	134
September 5.....	144	131	6	7	3	597	150
September 12.....	104	92	8	4	3	398	130
September 19.....	95	86	5	4	2	509	172
September 26.....	112	102	7	3	4	562	158
October 3.....	120	110	5	5	6	777	153
October 10.....	115	101	8	6	3	419	282
October 17.....	91	80	8	3	3	491	110
October 24.....	106	94	2	10	1	476	86
October 31.....	97	83	2	12	0	309	93
November 7.....	116	104	5	7	1	494	129
November 14.....	89	82	4	3	1	376	56
November 21.....	90	80	5	5	1	338	98
November 28.....	87	77	6	4	2	636	113
Totals to December 1.....	2,020	1,799	108	113	65	11,240	2,444

* Persons arrested for petty offenses are released on making a deposit with the police as security for their appearance. If they do not appear the "collateral" is forfeited.

The cases tried before the police court include disorderly conduct on the streets, carrying concealed weapons, indecent exposure, vagrancy, and violation of any municipal ordinance.

As a summary of the foregoing table it may be stated that between the 1st of August and 13th of November 2,020 informations have been filed, of which 113 have not been prosecuted, 1,907 have been tried, resulting in 1,799 convictions and 108 acquittals, and in the cases of 65 convictions appeals to the criminal court were entered. The fines imposed aggregated \$11,240, of which one-third part has been collected, the residue being satisfied by short terms of imprisonment.

The legal business of the District during the last five months, embracing important litigation and manifold other matters, has been attended to in the office of the attorney for the District without the employment of other counsel.

The salaries stated at the outset of this report have covered all the legal expenses of the District during the period indicated. The efficiency and fidelity with which the office of assistant attorney has been discharged by General William Birney deserve to be here honorably mentioned. The salary of this officer is now only \$1,200 per annum, which is far from being just compensation for his services and for the ability with which they have been performed. I take pleasure in recommending that his salary be largely increased.

EDWIN L. STANTON,
Attorney for the District of Columbia.

APPENDIX B.

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY.

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
December 1, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: In compliance with your direction, I respectfully submit the following report of the business of this office, with suggestions of some amendments in the laws of the District.

MUNICIPAL LAWS.

The most important duty assigned to the assistant attorney is the enforcement of the penal statutes of the late legislative assembly and of the ordinances enacted by the former corporations of Georgetown, Washington, and Washington County. This is done by informations in the police court, which, in appealed cases, are prosecuted to final judgment in the criminal court. The offenses do not include crimes and misdemeanors; the duty of prosecuting these belongs to the United States attorney for the District. They include disorderly conduct on the streets, carrying concealed weapons, indecent exposure, vagrancy, injury to public property, violations of the license laws, and of any municipal penal ordinance.

Between the 1st of August and the 30th November, 2,020 informations have been filed. Of these, 113 have been nolle-prossed on more full investigation; 1,907 have been tried, the result being 1,799 convictions and 108 acquittals. Sixty-five appeals to the criminal court have been entered. The fines imposed amount to \$11,240, of which about one-third has been collected, the rest being satisfied by short terms of imprisonment. I annex hereto a tabular statement showing the business transacted at the police court for each week since the 1st of August. The weekly reports of the business between the 9th of July, the date of my commission, and the 1st of August, were duly forwarded to you from this office.

REVISION OF ORDINANCES.

The local laws of the District are—

1. The ordinances of the levy court;
2. The ordinances of Georgetown;
3. The ordinances of Washington; and
4. The statutes of the late legislative assembly.

The first three classes are to be found only in a large number of pamphlets and books, few of which are in market and all of which are out of print. Of the ordinances of Georgetown, but one or two complete sets are to be found, and these are in private hands and held at high prices. The ordinances for different localities vary widely from each other; in some cases they are contradictory. Certain offenses, for instance, indecent exposure, now become not infrequent, are not known to the ordinances of Georgetown. Many of the ordinances are clumsily drawn. The public interest demands a thorough revision of the local laws, with a view to unity and system.

MARKET LAWS.

The laws regulating markets are so badly worded that they have not been fully enforced for some years past. Every attempt to enforce them is met by associated resistance and litigation. It ought to be put beyond cavil whether butchers shall pay a license-fee in addition to the rental paid for the stall, and without regard to the public or private character of the market in which they ply their trade.

LIQUOR LAWS.

The sale of liquors is regulated in the District by the "license system," the leading objects of which are to raise revenue, protect the licensed dealer, and facilitate the exclusion of tippling-houses from neighborhoods devoted to family residences, and from the immediate vicinity of churches, barracks, and other places where their establishment would be unseemly or productive of disorder. The number and location of retail liquor-shops are matters properly within the control of the municipal government of a city or densely-populated district. At the national capital this is a subject of grave importance, its management affecting to a certain extent our national reputation.

The license laws of this District fail to accomplish any one of the objects above named; the revenue raised is trifling when compared either with the number of persons engaged in the business or with the public expense incident to the arrest, detention, trial, and punishment of persons committing offenses under the influence of liquor; the dealers who have honestly paid their license-fees, acquiring thereby a right to public protection of their exclusive trade, find themselves undersold and crowded out of business by unlicensed competitors; and parents who have sought the seclusion of quiet neighborhoods for the purpose of rearing their families find their houses brought suddenly in close proximity to a saloon, or invaded by the noises of the tippling-house.

Faithful attempts for several months to enforce the "liquor laws" have not met with success. The laws themselves furnish facilities for their own defeat, rendering easy the shifts, devices, and evasions to which the liquor-seller seems naturally to resort. Under color of the wholesale license, which costs but a small sum, grocers and merchants often establish retail-liquor-shops of the most dangerous class, their victims being in many cases the young and unwary, who visit the grocery or store for the purchase of family supplies. Restaurants and apothecary-shops, breweries and hotels, distilleries and wholesale liquor-stores, are often the covers of an active retail liquor-business. Though this is well known to the community, it is generally impracticable to obtain evidence to specific facts. Customers are unwilling to testify and policemen are forbidden to frequent places where liquor is sold. Nor has the police any power, as they have in the cases of brothels and gambling-houses, to enter upon the premises and search for the proofs of the offense. In the comparatively few cases which can be prosecuted, witnesses are frequently caused to disappear before the final hearing, being bought off or frightened off by threats of bodily harm. The weakness of the laws invites their violation; the unlicensed liquor-sellers by retail exceed in number the licensed; the amount paid in for licenses falls far short of the expenses caused to the District by the sale of liquor, and the few prosecutions instituted, though they result, in perhaps half the cases, in the punishment of the individual, have no effect to prevent the repetition of the offense.

Either a more effective law should be adopted or the present one should be repealed and the sale of liquors left unrestrained. No law is better than a law which cannot be enforced. In the event of the adoption of the former alternative, I have carefully prepared and am ready to submit for consideration a bill which is intended to make the license system effective, not only for revenue but for the protection of the rights of the honest dealer and of private families.

POLICE COURT.

For the summary trials in municipal cases, necessary to enforce order in a large city, this court is a marked improvement on the former system of trial justices. It is far more economical, more effective, and relieves the people from the oppression of numerous and causeless arrests. Its acts are not in the secrecy of an office in some retired street, with few witnesses besides those interested in the fees and costs, but in a public hall, crowded with lawyers, reporters for the press, and men familiar with business. Consistency of decision and substantial justice are necessities of the court. The policeman making the arrest, the attorney prosecuting the charge, and the judge delivering the decision, all know that their conduct must undergo the sharp criticism of the bar, the press, and the public. Hence the steady diminution of causeless arrests. The following table of arrests is instructive:

Year.	No. of arrests.	Year.	No. of arrests.
1862.....	22, 207	1869.....	17, 296
1863.....	19, 918	1870.....	15, 603
1864.....	23, 548	1871.....	11, 462
1865.....	26, 478	1872.....	11, 306
1866.....	24, 542	1873.....	11, 781
1867.....	20, 075	1874.....	13, 192
1868.....	18, 824		

The increase in the two last years has been owing, in great part, to the hard times and the increase of the population of the District.

Experience has demonstrated that one police court is better than several. About two-thirds of all the cases originate in "the island," a part of Washington near the present location of the court. The Georgetown cases do not average more than one and a fraction per day, (sometimes for several days together there are none,) and the cases from the county are still less in number. A court in Georgetown, or in the county, would not have business enough to keep it employed more than one full working-day per month. And so great is the facility of access to the present police court from all parts of the District that there are no complaints on that score. If it should be found necessary to make further provision for the trial of petty cases—and there are certainly too many of them for one judge—it would be better to increase the number of judges than the number of courts of this class.

A large reduction has been effected in the expense of transporting the prisoners from the police court to the work-house.

A MUNICIPAL COURT.

The same reasons which led to the creation of a police court for petty misdemeanors recommend strongly the creation of a municipal court for petty civil cases. The existing system of justices and constables is full of grave abuses, and is the subject of general complaint. Spite of the excellent character and high standing of some of the justices, the system itself has lost the general confidence. Stale accounts are gathered up for suit by constables, and poor and ignorant people are harassed and defrauded under the forms of law. Levies are made on goods exempted; moneys are collected and not paid over; tenants are ejected without notice; constables act as attorneys for plaintiffs; justices act as constables to serve their own writs, or share fees and commissions with persons who bring suits before them; and, worse than all, the settled rules of right and law are disregarded and the people taught the demoralizing lessons that the law is a game of chicanery, and that the rights of the citizen are not protected by the courts. Most of the evils complained of are due—

- 1st. To the ignorance of law on the part of many justices;
- 2d. To their exclusive dependence upon fees and costs for their compensation; and
- 3d. To the comparative privacy of their courts, insuring them, generally, immunity from public criticism.

A municipal court of three good justices, with a few clerks and deputy marshals, would transact with ease, method, and in accordance with law all the business now done by the fifty justices and hundred constables who make a livelihood from the inhabitants of this District; and it is respectfully submitted that the substitution of such a court for those officials would meet with the general approbation of the bar, the judges, and all good citizens not personally interested to the contrary. While the judges, clerks, and marshals of such a court should not depend upon costs, but upon salaries, all expenses should be re-imbursed to Government by the costs taxed to parties to suits. The annexed draught of a bill for a municipal court embraces all necessary details, and is offered by way of suggestion.

THE POOR-FUND.

Under your direction the subject of the fund for the support and maintenance of the poor received at an early day careful investigation. The only fund set aside by law for this purpose is the annual rental of \$25,000 to be paid to the District government by the Washington Market Company under the charter of that company dated May 20, 1870. Under this law the District government became a trustee of this fund for the poor. It is claimed by the market company that the rental was subsequently reduced to \$20,000 by joint resolution of the District legislative assembly; and that, at a still later period, the board of public works, acting under a law of Congress authorizing it to buy a site for the intended District building, purchased it from said company, agreeing as a consideration to further reduce the annual rental to a sum varying from \$5,500 to \$7,500, according to the amount of annual tax upon the market company; and that the difference between that varying sum and the full amount of the poor-fund should be paid by the District government. To this claim there are many and weighty legal objections, some of which may be mentioned. The District legislative assembly had no power to reduce the amount of a trust-fund created by United States law, nor does its joint resolution fairly bear that construction; the market company was not for several reasons legally competent to deed away land held in lease from the United States and subject to certain trusts; and the board of public works was not authorized by the statute to buy any land the reversion of which was in the United States, but was impliedly forbidden to buy such land. Unless the Washington Market Company will agree to cancel the arrangement, or the difficulty is settled by Congress, the only course

left for the District government is to place upon record and tender to the market company a deed of release and quit-claim for the land, and resort to legal measures for the recovery of the arrears due on the annual rental of \$25,000. But until this controversy shall be adjusted, the only poor-fund available for use is the amount paid willingly by the market company, and which slides, as before explained, from \$5,500 to \$7,500.

THE PAUPER QUESTION.

Among the most embarrassing questions referred to the assistant attorney have been those growing out of applications to the commissioners for charity. It has been supposed by some that your honorable board had the power to pension worthy applicants out of the public funds; by others, that you could make large donations from the revenues to charitable societies; and, by others, that you could, without law, enter upon a general system of outdoor relief, appointing committees of citizens for that purpose.

The whole subject will doubtless receive from Congress the attention it merits; and the relief of the helpless indigent will be lifted by legislation out of the domain of the doubtful doctrine of the inherent powers of a municipal corporation.

Several causes have contributed to the large increase of the numbers of the poor at the national capital. The large annual sums distributed by Congress in alms; the abundant benefactions of churches and relief societies; the liberal contributions of the theatrical managers and concert-givers; the extraordinary number and liberality of our charitable institutions; the large number of laborers attracted by the extensive improvements formerly prosecuted by the board of public works, and now left without work; the natural tendency of the newly-emancipated to seek shelter and protection at the seat of government; the impoverishment of many who visit the capital in some desperate chance of office or lobby success; and the selfish thrusting upon us by counties in neighboring States of their superannuated, helpless, and insane indigent; all these causes have swelled the pauper class in the District to a number too large for adequate relief out of the slender treasury of the District. It may well be doubted whether the policy that masses this class of population at the nation's capital is a wise one.

THE TRANSIENT INSANE.

It is estimated that from twenty to thirty insane persons drift here annually from different parts of the country, most of them insane on patents or politics. For this unfortunate class there is no provision of law, either to send them to their homes or to take care of them here. The people of the District are not properly chargeable with the burden of their support, nor does the District own any institution for the insane.

THE WASHINGTON ASYLUM.

Legal questions growing out of the affairs of this institution have been solved as they arose. One of them, however, requires the exertion of legislative power for its solution. This is the union of the poor-house and the work-house in the same institution, an obvious abuse which has been established by law for many years. The pauper and the criminal are crowded together. This is probably the only place in the United States where poverty and crime are placed by statute on the same level, and it is to be hoped that the discreditable exception will be made to disappear at once.

TAX-LAWS.

There are defects and obscurities in the tax-laws of the District which can be cured only by legislation. What these are need not here be pointed out. So long as they remain, there will be more or less difficulty in collecting the revenues and of litigation over tax-titles. In regard to the property exempt from taxation, if any except burial-lots is to be exempt, it were much to be desired that the language of the law should be clear and precise, not leaving the legislative intent to inference from general principles of the interpretation of statutes.

LEVIES ON DISTRICT PROPERTY.

The decisions made in July by the supreme court of the District, quashing the levies made of executions on the District property held for public use, relieved greatly the operations of the engineer department and established a salutary doctrine of law in this District.

THE WHARFAGE-FRONT OF WASHINGTON.

For some time past the owners of lots and squares on north side of Water street in Washington City have claimed riparian rights, including the wharfing-privilege, on the Potomac, which washes the south line of that street. This claim, if sustained,

would reduce to private ownership the entire wharfage-front of the city and subject its river-commerce to the demands of the successful claimants. The values involved are at present very large, and, in the future of this capital city, incalculable. The case of *Miller's Executors vs. The Corporation of Washington*, recently tried in the circuit court of the District, was a test case. The verdict was for the defendant. It is expected that the case will be taken to the higher courts by the unsuccessful plaintiffs.

The case was defended on the theory that the powers of the corporation of Washington City over the wharves have been derived from the United States, and have been confined to narrow limits prescribed by its different charters; but that the power of the United States over them, as trustees for the public, has been absolute, being commensurate with their rights not only as the sovereign state, but as riparian owners, the fee-simple of Water street, which binds upon the Potomac, being vested in the United States. The power to license private wharves in Washington, originally delegated to the commissioners of Washington City, was transferred, in 1802, by Congress, to a superintendent, in 1816 to a commissioner of public buildings and grounds, and by late acts to the engineer in charge of public buildings and grounds, in whose hands it is lodged at present. It has, however, been seldom exercised. The test suit having been decided in favor of the title of the United States, the present time would seem to be favorable to the assertion of the rights of the Government for the purpose of securing to the capital free wharves of sufficient extent for its future commerce. If Congress should think proper to confide full power over this subject to the future government of the District, suits in the name of the United States for the use of the District might be brought for the recovery of such parts of the wharf front as have been taken without right by private parties. The establishment of the right of the Government to the Potomac front would leave undisputed its right to land which may hereafter be made between Observatory Point and the Long Bridge. By timely legislative precautions this made land can be saved to the District, and made, in course of time, the source of a large revenue.

CONCLUSION.

As my official relations with your honorable board are near their termination, I take this occasion to make cordial acknowledgment of your courtesy and consideration, which have rendered pleasant to me the duties of a laborious office.

Very respectfully,

WILLIAM BIRNEY,

Assistant Attorney, District of Columbia.

The COMMISSIONERS
of the District of Columbia.

COMPTROLLER'S REPORT.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Comptroller's Office, Washington, December 1, 1874.

To the Commissioners of the District of Columbia :

GENTLEMEN : By the act of Congress of June 20, 1874, this office was relieved of the responsibility of making any statement at this time in reference to the financial condition of the District of Columbia ; and inasmuch as the act provides for the performance, by the board of audit, of that duty, it remains for the comptroller to restrict his report to the period which has elapsed since the repeal of the law " providing for an executive, for a secretary for the District, for a legislative assembly, for a board of public works, and for a Delegate in Congress in the District of Columbia."

The accompanying statements will be found to contain, in detail, all the information of record in this office relating to the various branches of service under which expenditures have been made. They are classified for ready reference.

CLASSIFICATION OF REPORTS.

1st. Statement (classified) of receipts and expenditures in aggregate from July 1, 1874, to December 1, 1874, showing balance of each account.

2d. Statement, in detail, of the receipts of the District of Columbia (from all sources) from July 1, 1874, to December 1, 1874, showing balance in Treasury.

3d. Supplemental statement of congressional appropriations, with expenditures, and balances remaining on hand.

4th. Schedule of warrants issued by the comptroller, countersigned by the auditor, one of the commissioners, and the treasurer of the District.

5th. Statement (classified) of the expenditures, showing the cost of each office or department in detail.

The total receipts of the District from July 1 to December 1, 1874, amount to, as per accompanying report.....	\$3,086,188 65
The total expenditures, as per statement and schedule of warrants issued, are.....	2,917,329 20
Leaving a balance to the credit of the District in the Treasury United States of.....	168,859 45
Amount collected on account of taxes, as reported from collector's office.....	1,650,539 04
Of which was from licenses.....	85,408 58
From fines imposed by the courts on account violations liquor licenses, judgments, &c., as reported by United States marshal and district attorney.....	6,451 53
From water-fund.....	23,441 37
Received from James A. Magruder, late treasurer board public works..	2,225 35
From the same, sewer certificates, account of building-fund.....	80,000 00
From the same, sewer certificates, miscellaneous account.....	900 00
Collected on account board public works.....	727 75
Received from George E. Baker, late comptroller District of Columbia, bonds of the District (never issued) amounting to.....	157,000 00
Deposited with the Treasurer of the United States for safe-keeping, bonds of the District amounting to.....	932,000 00

In accordance with section 7, act of Congress approved June 20, 1874, this office has issued to date \$2,250,000 of fifty-year 3.65 bonds; all of which have been countersigned and registered by the comptroller and turned over to the commissioners of the sinking-fund.

The appropriations by Congress amount to.....	\$1,334,291 66
Of which there has been expended for payment of officers and employees of the District of Columbia.....	297,652 64
Officers and employees of board of public works.....	282,218 05
Water department.....	32,787 35
On account of temporary loans.....	484,235 04
On account of interest.....	237,132 72
On account of workmen of contractors.....	50,618 43
On account of debts of the fire department.....	34,291 17
Amount from taxes and revenue in adjustment of account.....	109,025 80
Leaving a balance to the credit of appropriations.....	24,382 06

Of the above appropriations the commissioners have refunded to the United States, for its advances on account of interest, \$237,132.72.

Nine thousand five hundred and seventy-six warrants were issued by this office from July 23, 1874, to December 1, 1874. Each one was signed by the comptroller and countersigned by the auditor, one of the commissioners, and the treasurer, and paid at the Treasury of the United States.

Collector John F. Cook has, at considerable inconvenience, cashed many of these warrants solely from a spirit of accommodation to the holders.

The act of Congress approved March 3, 1873, provides "for the purchase by the United States of the interest of the District of Columbia in the present city-hall building in Washington," and appropriates seventy-five thousand dollars therefor, the same to be applied by said District "only for the erection of a suitable building for the District offices; and the governor and board of public works are authorized, if they deem it advisable for that purpose, to make arrangements to secure sufficient land fronting on Pennsylvania and Louisiana avenues, between Seventh and Ninth streets."

In accordance therewith the sale of the city-hall was consummated; the sum appropriated (\$75,000) was drawn from the United States Treasury; a dangerous excavation was made on Pennsylvania and Louisiana avenues, between Seventh and Ninth streets, which remains to this day; and on the 21st ultimo Mr. James A. Magruder, late treasurer of the board of public works, turned over to this office, on account of the above appropriation, the sum of \$2,108.01, together with \$80,000 of sewer-certificates.

The superintendent of assessments estimates the real property in the District at \$97,875,141. In many cases the individuals appointed to this duty of assessing have been men without property, without education, without experience, and often reckless as to the valuation put upon lands and improvements. It not unfrequently happens that assessments are greatly in excess of prices at which property is sold. This fact, taken in connection with the high rate of taxation, must retard most seriously the growth and prosperity of Washington, while it bears so heavily upon the community as to amount in some cases to absolute confiscation.

Our District governments have for many years been unnecessarily complicated and wastefully extravagant. It is to be hoped that Congress will at its approaching session establish over us one which will be wisely, economically, and honestly administered.

It gives the comptroller great pleasure, as a native Washingtonian,

to state that during his brief official intercourse with you, gentlemen commissioners, he has not failed to appreciate the deep interest manifested by you in all the affairs of this District which have been intrusted to you ; and he feels that his fellow-citizens have reason to congratulate themselves that the responsibilities assumed by you have been discharged with such marked ability.

The changes made with your approval, since the 6th ultimo, in the *personnel* of this office have contributed greatly to its efficiency, and it is pleasant to acknowledge the zeal and fidelity with which the gentlemen connected with it have labored to produce the results which are now

Respectfully submitted.

FITZHUGH COYLE,
Comptroller.

APPENDIX C.

Statement by the comptroller of the receipts of the District of Columbia from July 1, 1874, to December 1, 1874, as reported by the treasurer, D. C.

Ledger page.	On what account.	Detailed.	Aggregate.	Total.
185	Late government District of Columbia.....		\$45,372 93	
2	General District fund:			
	Overpayment Home Insurance Company of New York, on policy of insurance.....	\$10 20		
	D. C. Patterson, coroner, on body deceased poor....	13 10		
	Board of audit, fees for copying papers.....	6 00		
	Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, return of freight paid John F. Cook, collector, account sale tax-licens, October, 1874.....	153 63		
	J. F. Hodgson, intendant Washington Asylum, grave-sites.....	1,004 00		
	W. W. Pomeroy, intendant Georgetown almshouse.....	16 00		
		287 24		
			1,490 17	
18	Hay-scale fund:			
	Sale scales No. 3.....	2,110 00		
	S. McFarland, market-master, collected in October.....	15 67		
			2,125 67	
26	Judicial fund:			
	Fines, judgments, &c.; also liquor-license violations.....	6,055 01		
	Certifying signatures notaries public.....	5 50		
			6,060 51	
136	James A. Magruder, late treasurer board public works.....		2,225 35	
278	Board public works:			
	Deposited by Sherman & Co., excess collaterals sold.....	222 50		
	E. B. Townsend, superintendent property, sale material.....	505 25		
			727 75	
186	First National Bank, New York, rebate of interest.....	267 25		
	Fourth National Bank, New York, rebate of interest.....	219 62		
	National Bank Commerce, New York, rebate of interest.....	323 15		
			810 02	
	Assistant treasurer United States, New York, \$12,000, gold, 10½ per cent premium.....		13,260 00	
250	Water fund, amount collected.....		23,441 37	
234	Poor fund, per Washington Market Company.....		3,257 44	
360	Northern Market Company, temporary stands, &c.....		119 37	
362	Eastern Market Company, rent of stalls, &c.....		200 25	
154	Collected on note Eastern Market Company, bills receivable.....		1,046 48	
238	W. L. Cowan, late treasurer Washington public schools.....		3 02	
320	Washington school contingent fund*.....	195 52		
420	Georgetown school fund*.....	97 75		
520	County school fund*.....	97 75		
			391 02	
600	E. L. Stanton, attorney District of Columbia, proceeds of suit against John Howard, two notes, \$30 and \$35, interest from November 10, 1870.....		79 56	
520	County-school fund, collected from insurance companies for school-house burned.....		726 54	
460	Georgetown Market Company, rent stalls &c.....		20 50	
170	L. Clephane, collector.....	115,669 43		
171	John F. Cook, collector.....	1,534,869 61		
			1,650,539 04	
	Total.....			\$1,751,896 99
	Congressional appropriations:			
231	Act Congress approved June 23, 1874.....		1,300,000 00	
230	Act Congress approved June 22, 1874.....		34,291 66	
				1,334,291 66
				3,086,188 65

* Distribution of fines collected from police court July 3, 1874.

FITZHUGH COYLE,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, D. C.,
Washington, December 1, 1874.

APPENDIX D.

Schedule of warrants issued by the comptroller of the District of Columbia, from June 20 to November 30 1874, inclusive.

Schedule of warrants issued of the Commission of the District of Columbia.					
Date of issue.	Number of warrant.	To whom issued.	For what purpose issued.	To what account chargeable.	Total.
1874.					
July 23	1 to 103	Employees fire department.	Pay of the fire-department, Washington and Georgetown, from June 1, 1873, to June 30, 1874.	Act of Congress June 23, 1874, payment of employees, and for other purposes.	\$35,580 69
24	104 to 261	General district officers.	Pay of officers and employees District of Columbia, from June 1, 1873, to June 30, 1874.	Act of Congress June 22, 1874, deficiencies in fire department.	42,575 30
27	262	William L. Bramhall, assignee	Redemption of 21 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1871-72, and 1872-73.		\$229 94
27	263	B. D. Carpenter	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1871-72, and 1872-73.		179 50
27	264	W. H. Gibson	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1871-72.		108 47
27	265	P. P. Little	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.		40 97
27	266	George F. Gulick	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.		71 78
27	267	H. D. Cole	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.		17 55
27	268	Dickson & King	Redemption of 3 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.		434 62
27	269	Thomas B. Warrick	Redemption of 8 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.		235 38
27	270	Henry M. Baker	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1871-72.		42 05
27	271	R. R. Tracy	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.		49 01
27	272	James A. Small	do		26 27
27	273	George H. B. White, assistant cashier.	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1871-72.		408 22
27	274	Horace Marshall, assignee	Redemption of 5 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.		95 54
27	275	W. Scott Chew	Redemption of 4 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.		176 15
27	276	E. A. Reid	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.		46 81
27	277	G. L. Magruder	Redemption of 3 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.		294 31
27	278	William T. Forsyth	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.		81 53
27	279	Commissioners District of Columbia.	Payment of temporary loan and interest held by First National Bank of New York, and redemption of collateral.		118,303 25
28		Henry T. Blow, commissioner District of Columbia.	Payment of 2 notes and interest held by N. A. Cowdrey of New York City, secured by collaterals.		52,005 04
29	280	H. F. Davis, assignee	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1871-72.		384 41
29	281	Pago & Fletcher	Account of acceptance of J. A. Magruder, treasurer board of public works, in their favor, including interest, secured by collaterals.		7,980 52
29	282				

30	583	George E. Baker, comptroller	Redemption of coupons, 3 and 5 year 7-30 certificates.....	14 60	14 60
30	584	F. S. Lamson.....	Erroneous payment of taxes on lot, subdivision 11, square 240, 1873-74.....	50 41	50 41
30	585	James Shearer.....	Erroneous payment of 1 and 2 installments for paving footways, lot 29, square 740.....	32 80	32 80
30	586	B. W. Cox and J. R. Spran- sey assignees.....	Redemption of Washington City special tax-scrip and interest Nos. 194, 196, 197, and 200, lot 11, square 761.....	376 43	376 43
30	587	John W. Dick.....	Redemption of 5 pieces Washington City special tax-scrip and interest.....	88 49	88 49
30	588	William H. Thumbert.....	Redemption of 1 piece Washington City special tax-scrip and interest.....	12 23	12 23
30	589	Mason & Baker, attorneys; George B. Chandler, assignee.....	Redemption of 2 pieces Washington City special tax-scrip and interest.....	38 90	38 90
30	590	B. W. Cox and J. R. Spran- sey assignees.....	Redemption of 10 pieces Washington City special tax-scrip and interest.....	1,051 26	1,051 26
30	591	C. A. Fleetwood, agent.....	Freedman's Savings and Trust Company, redemption of 7 pieces Washington City special tax-scrip and interest.....	179 49	179 49
30	592	R. G. Campbell, assignee.....	Redemption of 4 pieces Washington City special tax-scrip and interest.....	187 01	187 01
30	593	Theodore Sheekles, assignee.....	Redemption of 72 pieces Washington City special tax-scrip and interest.....	2,595 00	2,595 00
30	594 to 405, 407	Employees board of public works.....	Pay of employees, board of public works, from November, 1873, to July 7, 1874.....	74,754 04	74,754 04
30	406	Commissioners District of Columbia.....	Payment of temporary loan and interest, Morton, Bliss & Co., New York, secured by collaterals.....	236,005 72	236,005 72
31	408	Hermion L. Emmons, Jr.....	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy of 1871-72.....	70 48	70 48
31	409	William Nelson, Jr., assignee.....	Redemption of 35 pieces Washington City special tax-scrip and interest.....	615 37	615 37
31	410	H. Clay Stewart.....	Redemption of 40 pieces Washington City special tax-scrip and interest.....	1,437 87	1,437 87
31	411	George W. Cissell.....	Redemption of 35 pieces Washington City special tax-scrip and interest.....	437 88	437 88
31	412	Commissioners District of Columbia.....	Payment of interest, (redemption of coupons,) bonds District of Columbia, due July 1, 1874, (coin.).....	121,369 50	121,369 50
31	413	Commissioners District of Columbia.....	Payment of interest, (redemption of coupons,) bonds, District of Columbia, due July 1, 1874, (currency.).....	54,505 35	54,505 35
31	414	M. Hale, cashier Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Com- pany.....	Payment of freight on sewer-pipe for board of public works.....	594 76	594 76
31	415	William E. Mattingly, re- ceiver Washington City Savings Bank.....	Account payment of temporary loan and accrued interest ^{vs.} com- missioners of the sinking-fund.....	31,239 77	31,239 77
31	416	John T. Mitchell.....	Erroneous payment of taxes, lot subdivision 4, square 239, year ending June 30, 1874.....	59 55	59 55
31	417	Charles A. James, cashier.....	Account temporary loan and interest held by Bank of Washing- ton ^{vs.} commissioners sinking-fund, secured by collaterals.....	20,533 33	20,533 33
1	418	G. P. Hopkins, assignee.....	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.....	50 23	50 23
1	419	H. Franc, assignee.....	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1871-72.....	66 22	66 22
1	420	R. Braco, assignee.....	Redemption of 3 tax-lien certificates, Georgetown, levy 1872-73.....	89 73	89 73
1	421 to 426	General District officers.....	Pay of officers and employees, District of Columbia, from Novem- ber, 1873, to July 7, 1874.....	11,095 76	11,095 76

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Date of issue.	Number of warrant.	To whom issued.	For what purpose issued.	To what account chargeable.				Total.
				Act of Congress June 23, 1874, payment of offi- cers and em- ployees, and for other purposes.	Act of Congress June 22, 1874, deficiencies in fire depart- ment.	Taxes and reve- nues.		
1874. Aug. 3	437 to 496	General District officers,	Pay of officers and employes, District of Columbia, from Septem- ber, 1873, to July 7, 1874.	\$39,456 64	.....	.....	\$39,456 64	
4	497	William M. Davis,	Pay for license-numbers furnished register's office, District of Columbia.	.....	.....	\$248 00	248 00	
4	498	John W. Dick, assignee,	Redemption of 4 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1871-'72, and 1872-'73.	.....	.....	183 64	183 64	
4	499	N. P. Callan, assignee,	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-'73.	.....	.....	261 68	261 68	
4	500	E. C. Ingersoll, assignee,	do	.....	.....	69 72	69 72	
4	501	Augustus Davis, assignee,	do	.....	.....	5 31	5 31	
4	502	Arthur Fendall, assignee,	do	.....	.....	3 70	3 70	
4	503	William H. Ross, assignee,	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-'73.	.....	.....	168 27	168 27	
4	504	John H. Brown, assignee,	Redemption of 3 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1871-'72, and 1872-'73.	.....	.....	323 43	323 43	
4	505 to 646	Employees Washington pub- lic schools,	Pay of teachers, Washington public schools, from March 1, to August 31, 1874.	52,241 72	.....	.....	52,241 72	
5	647	G. H. B. White, assistant cashier,	Pay of temporary loan and interest <i>vs.</i> National Metropolitan Bank of Washington, secured by collaterals.	18,167 41	.....	.....	18,167 41	
5	648 to 680	Employees of Washington County public schools,	Pay of teachers, Washington County public schools, from March 1, to August 31, 1874.	10,780 00	.....	.....	10,780 00	
5	681	Julius Lansburgh, assignee,	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-'73.	.....	.....	279 73	279 73	
5	682	William L. Braumhall, assignee,	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington County, Wash- ington, levy 1872-'73.	.....	.....	386 64	386 64	
5	683	E. G. Church,	Postage-stamps, ear-tickets, &c., for board of audit, District of Columbia.	.....	.....	30 97	30 97	
5	684 to 703	General District officers,	Pay of employes, board of audit, District of Columbia, for July, 1874.	.....	.....	1,176 54	1,176 54	
6	704 to 725	do	Pay of assessors and members board of appeals, from December 1, 1873 to July 10, 1874.	7,920 00	.....	.....	7,920 00	
6	726	Moses Kelly, treasurer com- missioners sinking-fund,	Payment of interest on bonds of the District of Columbia.	.....	.....	46,416 31	46,416 31	
6	727 to 746	Employees Georgetown pub- lic schools,	Pay of teachers and janitors, Georgetown public schools, from March 1 to June 30, 1874.	4,106 75	.....	.....	4,106 75	
7	747	N. D. Larner, secretary,	Premium on policy No. 3077 for insurance of Georgetown Market.	.....	.....	25 00	25 00	
7	748	Louis Spanier, assignee,	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Georgetown, levy 1871-'72.	.....	.....	5 96	5 96	
7	749	J. A. Johnson,	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington County, levy 1872-'73.	.....	.....	3 94	3 94	

750	John F. Kelly	Redemption of 2 tax-lieu certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.	8 86
751	William H. Harver	Erroneous payment of taxes on lot, subdivision 6, square 375, year ending June 30, 1873.	61 80
753	Thomas H. G. Todd	Erroneous payment taxes on lots, subdivision 174 to 179, inclusive, square 675, year 1873.	173 40
752	George Burgess	Erroneous payment taxes on lots subdivision 255 and 256, square 673, year 1873.	89 60
754 to 760	Commissioners District of Columbia	Pay of commissioners and clerks in their office, July, 1874	1, 663 13
761 to 768	Employees comptroller's office	Pay of comptroller, clerks and messengers in his office, July, 1874.	868 00
769 to 770	Employees auditor's office	Pay of auditor, and clerk in his office, July, 1874.	177 42
771 to 774	Employees attorney's office	Pay of attorney, assistant attorney, clerk and messenger in his office, July, 1874.	301 24
775 to 776	Employees treasurer's office	Pay of treasurer District of Columbia, and messenger in his office, July, 1874.	260 00
777 to 780	Employees deputy comptroller's office	Pay of deputy comptroller, clerks and laborer in his office, July, 1874.	199 11
781 to 841	Employees engineer's office	Pay of employees engineer's department District of Columbia, July, 1874.	3, 188 79
842 to 851	Thomas B. Florence	Rent of late executive office from June 20 to August 1, 1874.	173 39
852 to 855	Employees collector's office	Pay of collector, clerks and messenger in his office, July, 1874.	779 53
856 to 959	Employees superintendent of assessments and taxes.	Pay of superintendent of assessments and taxes, and clerks in his office, July, 1874.	370 96
960 to 1046	Employees Washington and Georgetown colored schools.	Pay of teachers Washington and Georgetown colored schools from March 1 to June 30, 1874.	22, 944 00
1047 to 1061	Employees engineer's department.	Pay of employees parking commission, repairing and cleaning streets from July 7 to 31, 1874.	1, 662 19
1062 to 1063	William T. Forsyth, assignee	Pay of market-masters, laborers, &c., Northern, Eastern, North-eastern, Western, and Georgetown Markets, July, 1874.	544 82
1064 to 1066	Theo. Sheekels, assignee	Redemption of 1 tax-lieu certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.	106 84
1067 to 1068	C. A. Fleetwood, agent	Redemption of 2 tax-lieu certificates, Washington, levy 1871-72.	282 09
1069 to 1070	Michael Green, assignee	Freedman's Savings and Trust Company, redemption of 8 tax-lieu certificates, Washington and Washington County, levy 1871-72, and 1872-73.	149 90
1071 to 1072	J. F. Olmstead, assignee	Redemption of 1 tax-lieu certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.	8 39
1073 to 1074	C. A. Fleetwood, agent	Freedman's Savings and Trust Company, redemption of 8 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.	141 98
1075 to 1076	Michael Green, assignee	Redemption of 31 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.	1, 053 56
1077 to 1078	R. Young, assignee	Redemption of 2 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.	108 88
1079 to 1080	Theo. Sheekels, assignee	Redemption of 17 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.	482 38
1081 to 1082	William B. Todd, assignee	Redemption of 8 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.	459 56
1083 to 1084	John C. Parker	Removing safe from late executive office to Morrison buildings, Four-and-a-half street.	25 00
1085 to 1086	John D. Wallace, assignee	Redemption of 2 tax-lieu certificates, Washington and county of Washington, levy 1872-73.	127 15
1087 to 1088	Lawrence Callan	Redemption part lot 8, square 896, Washington, D. C.	28 51

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Date of issue.	Number of warrant.	To whom issued.	For what purpose issued.	To what account chargeable.				Total.
				Act of Congress June 23, 1874, payment to officers and employees for other purposes.	Act of Congress June 22, 1874, deficiencies in fire department.	Taxes and revenues.		
1874. Aug. 12	1074	Nathan Sargent, president ..	Support of Reform-School, District of Columbia, for June and July, 1874.			\$1,991 25	\$1,991 25	
12	1075	L. W. Vale, superintendent ..	Account Chronicle Publishing Company, printing and advertising for sundry District offices.			700 75	700 75	
12	1076	John C. Parker ..	One cash-book for register's office, District of Columbia ..			16 00	16 00	
12	1077 to 1157	Employees special superintendents.	Pay of special superintendent board of public works from November, 1873, to June, 1874, inclusive.	\$44,767 84			44,767 84	
13	1158 to 1162	General District officers ..	Pay of sundry District officers, July, August, September, 1873, and January and February, 1874.	625 18			625 18	
13	1163 and 1164	(Canceled.)	Printing and advertising for sundry District offices ..			872 75	872 75	
13	1165	William J. Murtagh, proprietor National Republican.	Washing done for District offices ..			13 56	13 56	
13	1166	Mary A. Francis ..	Postage-stamps, &c., for office commissioners District of Columbia ..			30 00	30 00	
13	1167	William Tindall ..	Livery of 3 horses for engineer's office District of Columbia, July, 1874.			65 00	65 00	
13	1168	Thomas Geary ..	Removing book-case from governor's office to Morrison buildings.			15 00	15 00	
13	1169	Holtzclaw & Graham ..	Scavenger's work at police stations ..			6 00	6 00	
13	1170	Bradley, Keizer & Painter ..	Advertising notices for board of audit ..			21 12	21 12	
13	1171	D. C. Forney, proprietor Sunday Chronicle ..	Stationery furnished the commissioners' office District of Columbia.			160 85	160 85	
13	1172	Warren Choate & Co.	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-'73 ..			93 93	93 93	
13	1173	Dickson & King, assignees ..	Stationery furnished the collector's office District of Columbia ..			327 75	327 75	
13	1174	John C. Parker ..	Advertising and printing for District offices ..			357 32	357 32	
13	1175	S. H. Kaufman, president Evening Star Newspaper Company.	Pay of physicians to the poor of Washington and Georgetown, July, 1874.			440 00	440 00	
13	1176 to 1186	General District officers ..	Pay of garbage-masters, Washington and Georgetown, July, 1874.			1,284 00	1,284 00	
13	1187 to 1204	Ida G. Nutter ..	Pay as teacher colored schools, March, April, May, and June, 1874.	160 00			160 00	
13	1205	Employees Washington and Georgetown public schools.	Pay of superintendent Washington and Georgetown public schools, and janitors Washington schools, September, 1873, and June and July, 1874.	1,978 32			1,978 32	
14	1206 to 1238	Georgetown public schools.						

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14	1289	John J. Bogue, agent.....	Insurance on sundry District buildings.....	216 20	216 20
14	1240	Samuel Lloyd.....	Watering Pennsylvania avenue and intersecting streets from June 29 to August 11, 1874.....	1,312 50	1,312 50
14	1241	E. G. Church.....	Sundry articles furnished board of audit from July 30 to August 13, 1874.....	235 32	235 32
15	1242	Dr. R. Reyburn.....	Freedman's Hospital, subsistence, medicines, &c., for patients, July, 1874.....	190 50	190 50
15	1243	J. W. Deeble, secretary Potomac Insurance Company.....	Insurance on Georgetown poor-house.....	20 00	20 00
15	1244	John C. Parker.....	Making 1 seal for collector's office District of Columbia.....	25 00	25 00
15	1245	Hughely & Bowen.....	Livery of horse for the corner District of Columbia, July, 1874.....	25 00	25 00
15	1246	R. Crutt, jr.....	Livery of horse for the surveyor's office, July, 1874.....	32 00	32 00
15	1247	Vanderbilt & Co.....	Removing furniture from the executive building.....	15 00	15 00
15	1248	Thomas L. Tullock.....	Erroneous payment taxes on lot 24, square 312, years 1873-74.....	67 56	67 56
15	1249	John C. Parker.....	Stationery furnished the office superintendent assessments and taxes.....	43 00	43 00
17	1250 to 1257	Employees board of public works.....	Pay of general and special superintendents from November, 1873, to July, 1874, inclusive.....	4,207 80	4,207 80
17	1258 to 1271	Employees colored schools.....	Pay of superintendent, secretary, treasurer, and janitors colored schools, Washington and Georgetown, from December 1, 1873, to June 10, 1874.....	5,074 29	5,074 29
17	1272 to 1297	Employees board of public works.....	Pay of laborers board of public works from November, 1873, to July 8, 1874, inclusive.....	5,838 95	5,838 95
18	1298	Thomas Norfleet.....	Redemption of 7 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.....	182 67	182 67
18	1299	Lewis Heilbrun, assignee.....	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.....	3 81	3 81
18	1300	Henry B. Munn.....	Erroneous payment taxes on lot subdivision B, square 757, years 1873-74.....	8 69	8 69
18	1301	John O'Brien.....	Erroneous payment taxes on lot subdivision 4, square 717, years 1873-74.....	21 82	21 82
18	1302	William Nelson, jr., assignee.....	Redemption of 71 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.....	1,598 03	1,598 03
18	1303	Theo. Sheekels, assignee.....	Redemption of 5 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.....	1,074 78	1,074 78
18	1304	A. H. Herr, assignee.....	Redemption of 4 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.....	124 79	124 79
18	1305	B. W. Cox & J. B. Spransey, assignees.....	Gas furnished street lamps, market-house, police stations, &c., Georgetown, July, 1874.....	430 40	430 40
18	1306	A. H. Dodge, president.....	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1871-72.....	1,010 22	1,010 22
18	1307	John F. Cook, collector.....	Repairing and putting in glass, street lamps Georgetown, July, 1874.....	164 72	164 72
18	1308	Conrad Kaufman.....	Gas furnished street-lamps, District offices, police stations, and repairs street-lamps.....	31 15	31 15
19	1309 to 1421	Employees water department.....	Pay of water registrar, clerks and laborers for July, 1874.....	36,352 31	36,352 31
19	1422	Charles B. Bailey, secretary Washington Gas-light Co.....	Pay of laborers board of public works from March 1 to July 7, 1874.....	9,752 11	9,752 11
20	1423 to 1445	Employees Dist. government.....	Pay of laborers board of public works from November, 1873, to July 7, 1874.....	1,998 27	1,998 27
20	1446 to 1453	.....do.....	Clerical services, attorney's office, from July 10 to July 20, 1874.....	1,659 60	1,659 60
20	1454	J. D. O'Connor.....	Washing towels for surveyor's office, District of Columbia, July, 1874.....	27 50	27 50
20	1455	Mrs. William Bradford.....	Erroneous payment taxes on lot west half of 1, square 243, year 1874.....	3 00	3 00
20	1456	Henry Beard.....	Erroneous payment taxes on lots 25 and 26, square 1000, year 1874.....	46 63	46 63
20	1457	Catharine Sonnenschmidt.....	16 63	16 63

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				Act of Congress June 23, 1874.	Act of Congress June 22, 1874.	deficiencies in the depart-	Taxes and rev- enues.	
1874.								
Aug. 20	1458	William T. Forsyth, assignee	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.				\$84 91	\$84 91
20	1459	John F. Cook, collector	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.				26 40	286 40
20	1460 to 1463	General District employees	Clerical services copying records board of public works, November 1, 1873, to May 31, 1874.	\$1,700 00			26 40	1,700 00
21	1464	Albert K. Manning	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.				24 06	24 06
21	1465	Daniel McLanghlin	Services as watchman at the executive building from July 11 to July 31, 1874.				40 00	40 00
21	1466	Jerome B. Diver	Erroneous payment taxes on lot part 2, square 762, year ending June 30, 1873.				1 96	1 96
21	1467	Dorsey E. W. Carter	Erroneous payment taxes on lots subdivisions 39, 40, and 41, square 510, year ending June 30, 1874.				111 16	111 16
21	1468 to 1471	General District employees	Clerical services preparing sewer-assessments of board of public works, September 15, 1873, to February 17, 1874.	2,680 00				2,680 00
21	1472	(Canceled.)						
21	1473	E. W. Woodruff	Three dozen file-holders, comptroller's office, District of Columbia.				36 00	36 00
21	1474	Sinclair & Robertson	Making and putting up gate, comptroller's office, District of Columbia.				17 00	17 00
21	1475	R. G. Campbell	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington Co., levy 1872-73.				11 33	11 33
21	1476	William M. Davis	Furnishing wagon and cart numbers to collector's office.				200 00	200 00
21	1477	George A. Basset	Stenographic services, Oct. 1 to Nov. 26, 1873, board public works.	250 00				250 00
21	1478	Fanny Downing	Clerical services in executive office from April 10 to July 11, 1874.	140 00				140 00
21	1479	Thomas Geary	Conveying paupers to hospitals, June and July, 1874.				40 00	40 00
21	1480	John S. Slater	Clerical services in office superintendent assessments and taxes, October 1, 1873, to June 30, 1874.	1,116 67				1,116 62
21	1481	A. Burgdorf	Codrus furnished to deceased paupers from June 24 to Aug. 12, 1874.				232 75	232 75
21	1482 to 1489	Employees Dist. government.	Pay of garbage-collectors, District of Columbia, July, 1874.				474 00	474 00
22	1490 to 1618	do	Pay of laborers board public works for October, 1873.	3,624 42				3,624 42
22	1619 to 1727	do	Pay of laborers board public works from July, 1873, to June 30, 1874.	5,729 14				5,729 14
22	1728	Catharine Maddox	Erroneous payment taxes on lot 24, square 501, year ending June 30, 1873.				14 40	14 40
22	1729	Thos. E. Waggaman, assignee	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1871-72.				125 57	125 57
22	1730 to 1733	General District employees	Clerical services auditing and preparing laborers' rolls, board of public works, July 11 to August 20, 1874.				428 76	428 76
24	1734 to 1906	do	Pay of the metropolitan police, July, 1874.				10,522 07	10,522 07
24	1907	James A. Small, assignee	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1871-72.				14 13	14 13
24	1908	Thomas Holden	Refund for erroneous payment of taxes on lot 3, square 539, Washington, levy 1871-72.				4 25	4 25

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24	1999	N. Du Bois.....	Redemption of 1 tax-lie certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73...	1 70	1 70
24	2000	Herman Rupertus.....	Erroneous payment of taxes on lot part 4, square 4-0, year ending June 30, 1874.	19 05	19 05
25	2001 to 2031	General District employes.....	Pay laborers board public works, October, 1873, March 1 to July 31, 1874.	1,647 02	1,647 02
25	2032 to 2044	do.....	Pay laborers board public works, April and May, 1873.	240 34	240 34
25	2045	L. W. Vale, superintendent Chronicle Publishing Co.	Printing annual report five commissioners.	185 00	185 00
25	2046	E. McKimmon, assignee.....	do.....	70 90	70 90
25	2047	Lexus A. Woods.....	Redemption of 6 tax-lie certificates, Washington and county of Washington, levies 1871-72 and 1872-73.	20 16	20 16
26	2048 to 2064	General District employes.....	Erroneous payment of taxes on lots 10, 11, and 12, square 940, year ending June 30, 1873.	602 36	602 36
27	2065 to 2312	do.....	Pay laborers board public works, March, April, September, and October, 1873, and January and February, 1874.	26,033 77	26,033 77
26	2313 to 2373	do.....	Pay laborers board public works, November, 1873, to July, 1874, inclusive.	12,484 58	12,484 58
27	2374	J. H. Ketcham, commissioner District of Columbia.	do.....	50,316 44	50,316 44
27	2375	Michael Green, assignee.....	Payment temporary loan and interest, First National Bank, New York.	376 13	376 13
27	2376	Daniel O'Callaghan.....	Redemption of 12 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.	9 25	9 25
27	2377	John F. Cook, collector.....	Redemption of 2 tax-lie certificates, Washington, levy 1871-72.	14 00	14 00
27	2378	do.....	Postage-stamps for use of collector's office, District of Columbia.	177 69	177 69
27	2379	John Van Riewick, assignee.....	Redemption of 2 tax-lie certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.	1,252 92	1,252 92
27	2380	H. C. Swain, cashier Second Nat'l Bank, Washington.	Redemption of 21 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.	553 62	553 62
27	2381 to 2544	General District employes.....	Redemption of 15 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.	4,254 74	4,254 74
27	2545	Andrew A. Lipscomb.....	Pay laborers board public works from June, 1873, to July, 1874, inclusive.	208 00	208 00
29	2546	Gibson Brothers.....	Services as temporary clerk collector's office, October and November, 1873.	548 50	548 50
29	2547	do.....	Blanks, &c., furnished board of audit, District of Columbia.	36 50	36 50
29	2548	William Nelson, jr.....	Printing blank commissions, circulars, &c., commissioners' office.	24 07	24 07
29	2549	Holtzclaw & Graham.....	Redemption of 3 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.	60 00	60 00
29	2550	Herman Bungarten.....	Setting manila's, &c., at the Washington Asylum.	15 00	15 00
29	2551	William H. Douglass.....	One stamp for board of audit, District of Columbia.	5 80	5 80
29	2552	William Clabangh, assignee.	do.....	1,303 05	1,303 05
29	2553 to 2580	General District employes.....	Redemption of 3 tax-lie certificates, Washington, levy 1871-72.	3,803 30	3,803 30
29	2581	John F. Cook, collector.....	Pay employes Washington Asylum from June, 1873, to June 30, 1874.	1,925 07	1,925 07
29	2582 to 2586	General District employes.....	Redemption of 4 tax-lie certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.	1,728 14	1,728 14
31	2587 to 2600	do.....	Pay of commissioners, clerks, and messenger, August, 1874.	886 67	886 67
31	2601 to 2604	do.....	Pay of controller, clerks, and messenger, August, 1874.	500 00	500 00
31	2605 to 2606	do.....	Pay of auditor and clerks, District of Columbia, August, 1874.	440 00	440 00
31	2607 to 2614	do.....	Pay of attorney and employes, District of Columbia, August, 1874.	260 00	260 00
31	2615 to 2619	do.....	Pay of treasurer, District of Columbia, and of messenger, August, 1874.	500 00	500 00
31	2620 to 2624	do.....	Pay of superintendent of assessments and taxes, and clerks, August, 1874.	353 33	353 33
31	2625 to 2629	do.....	Pay of deputy controller, clerks, and laborer, August, 1874.	566 99	566 99
31	2630 to 2634	do.....	Pay of water-registrar, and clerks, August, 1874.	566 99	566 99

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1874.								
Aug. 31	2930 to 2931	General District employes	Pay of intendant and physician Washington Asylum, August, 1874			\$240 00	\$240 00	
31	2922 to 2930	do	Pay of collector District of Columbia, clerks, and messenger, August, 1874.			1,019 73	1,019 73	
31	2931 to 2707	do	Pay of engineers, clerks, overseers, and messenger of engineer department, August, 1874.			5,871 21	5,871 21	
31	2708 to 2942	do	Pay laborers board of public works, from April, 1873, to June, 1874, inclusive.	\$7,710 48			7,710 48	
31	2943	John Grindler, assignee	Redemption of 1 tax-lieu certificate, Washington, levy 1871-'72			2 80	2 80	
31	2944	John F. Kelly, assignee	Redemption of 2 tax-lieu certificates, Washington, levy 1872-'73			8 84	8 84	
31	2945 to 2988	General District officers	Pay of clerks and messengers board audit, District of Columbia, August, 1874.			4,292 96	4,292 96	
Sept. 1	2989	Joseph Thompson, assignee.	Redemption of 1 tax-lieu certificate, Washington, levy 1873-'73			8 54	8 54	
1	2990	John B. Clagett.	Erroneous payment of taxes, lots subdivision E and F, square 408, Washington, 1872-'73.			23 66	23 66	
1	2991	Thomas E. Wargaman	Erroneous payment of second, third, fourth, and fifth instalments for laying water-main, lot 12, square 461.					
1	2992	J. D. Cathell	Erroneous payment of taxes, lot 118 B and H addition to Georgetown.			234 30	234 30	
1			1 register of certificates for comptroller's office			9 19	9 19	
1	2993	Gilson Brothers	Rent of office for superintendent of property, from July 7 to August 1, 1874.			24 00	24 00	
1	2994	Barbara Williams	Pay of market-masters, laborers, watchmen, and for horses and carts, for Northern, Western, Eastern, Northeastern, and Georgetown markets, August, 1874.			12 10	12 10	
2	2995 to 2998	General District employes.	Printing blanks for engineer's office, District of Columbia.			546 32	546 32	
2	2999	Wm. J. Murtagh, proprietor National Republican.	Redemption of 2 tax-lieu certificates, Washington, levy 1872-'73.			80 00	80 00	
2	2910	Thomas B. Warrick, assignee	Pay of laborers of board of public works, from March, 1873 to July, 1874, inclusive.			139 96	139 96	
3	2911 to 3073	General District employes.	Redemption of 6 tax-lieu certificates, Georgetown, levy 1872-'73	16,994 57			16,994 57	
3	3074	John F. Cook, collector.	Account of 500 tree-box stakes furnished superintendent of property, District of Columbia.			612 37	612 37	
3	3075	Jackson Pumphrey	Pay of the fire department of Washington and Georgetown, July and August, 1874.			37 50	37 50	
4	3076 to 3148	General District employes				9,026 20	9,026 20	

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3149	John J. Bogue	Insurance on county-school buildings, Georgetown poor-house, and furniture of Columbia Buildings.	396 32	396 32
3150 to 3178	General District employees	Pay of superintendent of legislative districts, board of public works, from March 1, 1873, to October 31, 1874.	705 60	705 60
3179 to 3225	do	Pay of laborers board of public works, February, May and June, 1874.	756 73	756 73
3226 to 3257	do	Pay of laborers board of public works, April, May, June to July 7, 1874.	2,017 12	2,017 12
3258 to 3335	do	Pay of laborers board of public works, April 1 to August 31, 1873.	3,675 36	3,675 36
3336	Win J. Murfath, proprietor National Republican	Advertising for commissioners District of Columbia, and for engineer's office.	290 50	290 50
3337	E. McL. Timoney & Co., assignees.	Redemption of 1 tax-lie certificate, Washington County, levy 1872-'73.	4 45	4 45
3338	T. Edward Clark & Co.	Coal furnished District offices, public schools, Washington Asylum, and metropolitan police.	2,244 30	2,244 30
3339	John Stewart	Stowing a way coal and wood for District offices	56 00	56 00
3340	William Bradford	Services as messenger surveyor's office, District of Columbia, from July 7 to July 25, 1874.	34 00	34 00
3341	John F. Cook, collector	Redemption of 2 tax-lie certificates, Washington, levy 1872-'73.	55 66	55 66
3342	Hotzelaw and Graham	Repairing Eastern market under contract	490 00	490 00
3343	John Grindler, assignees	Redemption of 2 tax-lie certificates, Washington and Georgetown, levies 1871-'72 and 1872-'73.	69 49	69 49
3344	Dickson & King, assignee	Redemption of 1 tax-lie certificate, Washington, levy 1872-'73.	71 07	71 07
3345	R. H. Graham	Repairing carriages for engineer's office, District of Columbia.	44 87	44 87
3346	John M. Young	Repairing wagon for engineer's office, District of Columbia.	50 00	50 00
3347	Ringwalt, Hack & Miller,	Account Daily Critic advertising for engineer's office and Washington Asylum.	85 50	85 50
3348 to 3606	General District employees	Pay metropolitan police, August, 1874.	10,470 46	10,470 46
3607	William F. Mattingly, receiver, Washington City Savings Bank.	Redemption of 94 pieces of Washington City special tax-script and interest.	1,786 35	1,786 35
3608	Samuel Strong	Costs in suits commenced by him vs. District of Columbia.	200 00	200 00
3609	J. C. G. Kennedy, assignee	Redemption of 1 tax-lie certificate, Washington, levy 1871-'72.	32 13	32 13
3610 to 3624	General District employees	Pay of laborers Northern, Eastern, Western, and Georgetown markets, from February, 1873, to June 30, 1874.	3,248 50	3,248 50
3625	William Tindall	Sundry contingent expenses of commissioners' office District of Columbia.	25 45	25 45
3626 to 3630	General District employees	Pay of commissioners (board of public works) to assess damages, November, 1873, to March 4, 1874.	798 00	798 00
3631	George Cowie, treasurer Capital Real-Estate Association.	Erroneous payment of taxes, Washington, D. C.	114 03	114 03
3632	Wm. L. Bramhall, assignee.	Redemption of 3 tax-lie certificates, Washington, levy 1872-'73.	90 36	90 36
3633	George Crowner	Washing towels, &c., for the seventh precinct police station, August, 1874.	8 25	8 25
3634	Mary A. Francis	Washing towels, &c., for engineer's office, month of August, 1874.	12 84	12 84
3635	Ringwalt, Hack & Miller, Daily Critic.	Advertising for commissioners' office District of Columbia.	65 00	65 00
3636	N. B. Fugitt	Lumber furnished the engineer's office, from August 10 to 31, 1874.	506 38	506 38
3637	White & Brother	Furnishing man-hole tops, &c., for the engineer's office	325 00	325 00
3638	John H. Mitchell	Shoeing horses for the engineer's department.	20 00	20 00

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				Act of Congress June 23, 1874.	Act of Congress June 23, 1874.	Act of Congress June 23, 1874.	Taxes and rev- enues.	
1874.								
Sept. 9	3638	George W. Goodall	50 feet 3-inch hose furnished engineer's office District of Columbia	.....	.....	.....	\$12 50	\$12 50
9	3640	Thomas Geary	Livery of horses and medicines for same for engineer's depart- ment, District Columbia.	.....	.....	.....	140 50	140 50
9	3641	Robert H. Graham	Hardware and repair of carriages, &c., engineer's office District of Columbia.	.....	.....	.....	60 85	60 85
9	3642	Vanderbilt & Co.	Hauling sewer-pipe from Baltimore depot to Sixth-street property depot.	.....	.....	.....	18 00	18 00
9	3643	Benjamin F. Martin	Hauling sewer-pipe from Tennallytown to Brightwood.....	.....	.....	.....	6 50	6 50
9	3644	William D. Cassin, assignee.	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Georgetown, D. C., levy 1871-72.	.....	.....	.....	33 95	33 95
9	3645 to 3663	General District employes ..	Pay of employes, &c., Washington Asylum, July, 1874.....	.....	.....	.....	1,817 18	1,817 18
9	3664	John F. Cook, collector.....	Redemption of 5 tax-lien certificates, Washington and county, and Washington, levy 1871-72, and 1872-73.	.....	.....	.....	441 00	441 00
9	3665	Mason & Baker, attorneys for George B. Chandler, assignee.	Redemption of 4 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and in- terest.	.....	.....	.....	54 97	54 97
9	3666 to 3736	General District employes..	Pay of pipemen, laborers, &c., water registrar's office, Aug., 1874.	.....	.....	.....	3,079 45	3,079 45
9	3737	R. W. Taylor, First Com- ptroller.	Compensation in part as member of the board of audit .....	.....	.....	.....	800 00	800 00
9	3738	John Marbury, jr., treasurer board of health.	Requisition of the commissioners District of Columbia.....	.....	.....	.....	5,000 00	5,000 00
10	3739	Charles Curran, assignee	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.	.....	.....	.....	20 44	20 44
10	3740	John F. Cook, collector.....	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.	.....	.....	.....	62 36	62 36
10	3741	S. S. Harrison, president Po- tomac Ferry Company.	Rent of lots in square 473, for property-yards.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	25 00
10	3742	L. W. Vale, Superintendent, Chronicle Publishing Com- pany.	Printing and advertising for sundry District offices.....	.....	.....	.....	705 50	705 50
11	3743 to 3827	General District employes ..	Pay of parking commission, laborers, &c., engineer's department, August, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	2,351 25	2,351 25
11	3828	William Dickson, assignee ..	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1871-72 ..	.....	.....	.....	9 21	9 21
11	3829	A. H. Dodge, president Georgetown Gas-light Com- pany.	Gas consumed in street-lamps, fire department, &c., Georgetown, month of August, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	1,111 17	1,111 17

12	3830 to 4104	General District employes. Joseph F. Hodgson, Intendant and Washington Asylum, and W. L. Wall & Co.	96,846 99	96,846 99	96,846 99
12	4105	S. H. Kaufman, president Evening Star Newspaper Company.	190 00	190 00	190 00
12	4106	Samuel S. Hunt.	189 46	189 46	189 46
12	4107	Holtzclaw & Graham.	3,073 00	3,073 00	3,073 00
12	4108	Nathan Sargent, president Reform-School Dist. Col.	1,035 25	1,035 25	1,035 25
14	4110	R. Beversford.	25 00	25 00	25 00
14	4111	James Gurvey.	62 00	62 00	62 00
14	4112	William Ballantyne.	15 00	15 00	15 00
14	4113	J. D. McGill, Georgetown Courier.	13 00	13 00	13 00
14	4114	John C. Parker.	56 90	56 90	56 90
14	4115	Ringwalt, Hatch & Miller, Daily Critic.	23 73	23 73	23 73
14	4116	Augustus Burgdorf.	80 75	80 75	80 75
14	4117	S. Gleason.	268 61	268 61	268 61
14	4118	Moses Kelly, assignee.	31 58	31 58	31 58
14	4119	E. McR. Timoney & Co.	14 53	14 53	14 53
14	4120	John F. Kelly, assignee.	20 97	20 97	20 97
14	4121	G. F. Hyde, agent New Ex- press Line.	538 76	538 76	538 76
14	4122	Dickson & King, assignees.	30 04	30 04	30 04
14	4123	do do.	169 83	169 83	169 83
14	4124	Robert H. Ryan, assignee.	2 91	2 91	2 91
14	4125 to 4152	General District employes.	449 34	449 34	449 34
14	4153 to 4178	do do.	1,598 40	1,598 40	1,598 40
15	4179	John F. Cook, collector.	209 27	209 27	209 27
15	4180	Henry Franc.	13 67	13 67	13 67
15	4181	Thomas Geary.	30 00	30 00	30 00
15	4182	William H. Garges & Bro.	27 25	27 25	27 25
15	4183	T. H. Champlin.	48 82	48 82	48 82
15	4184	W. Koch, Daily Washington Journal.	211 00	211 00	211 00
15	4185 to 4196	General District employes.	1,751 75	1,751 75	1,751 75
15	4197	J. P. Wilson.	200 00	200 00	200 00
16	4198	Charles H. Murray.	150 00	150 00	150 00
16	4199	George F. McClellan and John M. Brooks.	14 00	14 00	14 00
16	4200	B. H. Bristow, Secretary of Treasury of United States.	137,824 28	137,824 28	137,824 28
17	4201	S. Gleason.	310 50	310 50	310 50

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				Act of Congress June 23, 1874, payment of officers and for other purposes.	Act of Congress June 22, 1874, deficiencies in the department.	Taxes and revenues.		
1874.								
Sept. 17	4202	Warren Choate & Co	Stationery furnished the commissioners' office, District of Columbia from August 1 to 29, 1874.			\$57 99	\$57 99	\$57 99
17	4203	John F. Pfele	Repairing tools for engineer's department August, 1874.			6 20	6 20	6 20
17	4204	S. S. Howison, president Potomac Ferry Company.	Rent of lots for property-yards July 7 to 31, 1874.			20 00	20 00	20 00
17	4205	A. P. Faxon	Services in consolidating special superintendent and laborers' pay-rolls, District of Columbia, from July 10 to September 10, 1874.			333 33	333 33	333 33
17	4206	John F. Cook, collector	Redemption of 35 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.			925 50	925 50	925 50
17	4207	Julius Linsburgh, assignee.	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.			406 30	406 30	406 30
17	4208 to 4213	General District employes	Pay of sundry employes District of Columbia, board registration, and surveyor's office, 1873.	\$320 50				320 50
18	4214	C. B. Bailey, secretary Washington Gas-light Company.	Gas furnished for street-lamps and public buildings, District of Columbia.			10, 105 41	10, 105 41	10, 105 41
18	4215	John G. Adams, assignee	Redemption of 6 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.			63 96	63 96	63 96
18	4216	Harvey Spalding, assignee	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.			78 98	78 98	78 98
18	4217	M. W. Galt, assignee	Redemption of 31 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.			710 15	710 15	710 15
18	4218	Mason & Baker, attorneys Geo. B. Chandler, assignee.	Redemption of 4 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.			56 72	56 72	56 72
18	4219	Francis Regen	Services as veterinary surgeon, attending horses engineer's department.			92 00	92 00	92 00
19	4220	E. Morrison, assignee	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1871-72.			3 62	3 62	3 62
19	4221	Bradley, Kaizer & Painter	Redemption of 4 tax-lien certificates, Washington and County Washington, levies 1871-72, 1872-73.			51 31	51 31	51 31
19	4222	Thomas Norrleet	Repairing harness, engineer's department, from July 17 to August 26, 1874.			24 25	24 25	24 25
19	4223	George T. McGhie, jr	Pay as member metropolitan police for April and May, 1874.	120 00			120 00	120 00
19	4224	W. C. King, assignee Robert French	Pay as member metropolitan police for August, 1873.	40 00			40 00	40 00
19	4225 to 4223	General District employes	Pay of employes District of Columbia for whitewashing, from December 13, 1873, to July 7, 1874.	844 70			844 70	844 70
19	4234	Richard Cruitt, sr	Refunding taxes erroneously paid on part lot 14, Holmead's addition to Georgetown, District of Columbia.			5 15	5 15	5 15

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19	4235 to 4238	General District employes	Pay sundry persons cleaning legislative hall, April 1 to 30, 1874	50 00	241 93	50 00
19	4239	John A. J. Creswell	Refunding erroneous payment of taxes, lots 9 and part 11, square 106, Washington, 1873-74.	3 00	3 00	3 00
19	4240	George A. Bolver	Refunding erroneous payment of taxes, lot 26, square 877, Washington, 1873-74.	16 73	16 73	16 73
19	4241	Solomon & Chapman	Stationery furnished office deputy comptroller District of Columbia, from August 14 to September 9, 1874.	17 97	17 97	17 97
19	4242	Conrad Kauffman	Furnishing and glazing street-lamps of Georgetown for August, 1874	29 00	29 00	29 00
19	4243	E. Crut, jr.	Livery of one horse for surveyor and engineer's department of District of Columbia.	179 00	179 00	179 00
19	4244	Robert Reyburn, surgeon	Medicines, &c., furnished patients of Freedmen's Hospital of District of Columbia, August, 1874.	26 30	26 30	26 30
19	4245	Daniel Hannan	Digging up sewer-pipe and connecting fittings in Larner buildings, public schools.	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00
19	4246	C. E. Prentiss, attorney	Payment in full of all claims for rent by District of Columbia of the upper stories of Metzger building, Pennsylvania avenue, to September 1, 1874.	25 00	25 00	25 00
19	4247	R. L. Hoxie, engineer District of Columbia.	500 car-tickets for use in engineer's department of District of Columbia.	499 00	499 00	499 00
19	4248	Samuel S. Hunt	Repairs to Franklin-school building, September, 1874	12 75	12 75	12 75
19	4249	George Burgess	Services as laborer, 24 days, engineer's department, September, 1874	\$1,094 15	1,094 15	1,094 15
21	4250	A. R. Shepherd & Co.	Supplies furnished fire department District of Columbia from February 15, 1872, to June 22, 1874.	50,612 53	50,612 53	50,612 53
21	4251	J. H. Ketcham, commissioner District of Columbia.	Payment of note and interest on temporary loan from First National Bank, New York City.	57 91	57 91	57 91
22	4252	W. H. Thumbert, assignee.	Redemption of 2 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.	26 67	26 67	26 67
22	4253	W. A. Eldridge	Services as clerk, governor's office, from July 1 to 10, 1874	35 35	35 35	35 35
22	4254	James S. Wilson	Car-fare and stamps for treasurer's office, District of Columbia	120 00	120 00	120 00
22	4255	E. G. Wheeler	Furnishing straps for tree-boxes, District of Columbia	38 25	38 25	38 25
22	4256	John G. Baker	Nails, spikes, &c., furnished engineer's department, District of Columbia.	12 00	12 00	12 00
22	4257	Henry Chadwell	Services as watchman to steam-roller, engineer's department, from July 7 to 13, 1874.	17 33	17 33	17 33
22	4258	Conrad Kauffman	Repairs to 339 gas-lamps in Georgetown, August, 1874	3 25	3 25	3 25
22	4259	Hail & Hume	Matches furnished engineer's department, District of Columbia, September, 1874.	3 50	3 50	3 50
22	4260	John T. Vinson	Postage-stamps for use of auditor's office, District of Columbia	69 60	69 60	69 60
4261 to 4263		General District employes	Pay of M. Frank Kelly, W. H. Collins, J. H. Pine, clerical services in office deputy comptroller from July 8 to 16, 1874.	17 49	17 49	17 49
22	4264	Thomas Lucas, assignee	Redemption of 1 tax-licen certificate, Washington, levy 1871-72	7 50	7 50	7 50
22	4265	J. D. McGill, Georgetown Courter.	Advertising proposals for repairs to streets and avenues.	200 00	200 00	200 00
22	4266	Alice Duffy	Assistant teacher Washington County schools, March 1 to June 30, 1874.	10 00	10 00	10 00
22	4267	George W. Goodall	Removing gas-fixtures from the executive hall, July, 1874	155 50	155 50	155 50
22	4268	S. Gleason	Repairing, grading, and filling river road to Tub Spring Bridge, August, 1874.	163 85	163 85	163 85
22	4269	Wm. L. Branchall, assignee.	Redemption of 5 tax-licen certificates, Washington, levy 1871-72.	360 67	360 67	360 67
22	4270	John F. Cook, collector	Redemption of 6 tax-licen certificates, Washington, levies 1871-72 and 1872-73.			

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				Act of Congress June 23, 1874, payment of officers and for other purposes.	Act of Congress June 22, 1874, deficiencies in fire department.	Taxes and revenues.	
1874. Sept. 23	4271	L. W. Deunham.....	Rebinding 10 record and 1 docket book for office register of wills District of Columbia.	.....	.....	\$55 00	\$55 00
93	4272	Fred'k Howard, assignee.....	Redemption of 3 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.	.....	.....	93 01	93 01
93	4273	Wm. T. Forsyth, assignee.....	do	.....	.....	30 57	30 57
94	4274	John F. Cook, collector.....	do	.....	.....	7 43	7 43
94	4275	do	Redemption of 4 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.	.....	.....	732 33	732 33
94	4276	Richard Fitzmorris.....	Hauling old material from property-yards District of Columbia.	.....	.....	600 46	600 46
94	4277	J. C. Whitwell, secretary Great Falls Ice Company.	Ice furnished District offices in Morrison Building, July and August, 1874.	.....	.....	71 00	71 00
94	4278	M. D. Peck.....	Refunding taxes erroneously paid on subdivision lot 89 square 365, levies 1872-73 and 1874.	.....	.....	92 73	92 73
95	4279	J. R. Riggles, treasurer Grace Meth. Episcopal Church.	Rent of upper stories for public school purposes, June, July, and August, 1874.	.....	.....	250 00	250 00
95	4280	W. W. Vaughn.....	Furnishing glass, and glazing, for public schools, Washington, September, 1874.	.....	.....	28 00	28 00
95	4281	James Small.....	Scale of weights and measures, District of Columbia, from April 1 to June 30, 1874.	\$25 00	.....	.....	25 00
95	4282	Jos. Smallwood.....	Inspector and weigher of coal, District of Columbia, from April 1 to June 30, 1874.	82 68	.....	.....	82 68
95	4283	L. W. Vale, superintendent Chronicle Publishing Co.	Advertising and printing for sundry District offices.	.....	.....	77 75	77 75
95	4284	George Burgess.....	Refunding taxes erroneously paid on lot subdivision 226, square 673, year ending June 30, 1873.	.....	.....	65 96	65 96
95	4285 to 4371	Sundry persons, fire department.	Payment of debts of fire department between January 21, 1873, and July 1, 1874.	.....	\$32,868 37	.....	32,868 37
96	4372	Wm. Muehlteisen, assignee.....	do	.....	.....	10 09	10 09
96	4373	S. B. English, assignee.....	Redemption of 11 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.	.....	.....	140 79	140 79
96	4374	Andrew Wylie.....	do	.....	.....	329 84	329 84
96	4375 to 4383	General District employes, &c.	Refunding erroneously paid taxes on lots subdivision E and O, square 245, Washington, June 30, 1872.	.....	.....	81 55	81 55
96	4384	A. Burgdorf.....	Paid sundry persons for washing, and for ice furnished metropolitan police from June 29 to September, 1874.	.....	.....	28 50	28 50
98	4385	Mary A. Francis.....	Coffins furnished board of health from September 4 to September 7, 1874, inclusive. Washington for engineer's department District of Columbia, June, 1874.	5 46	5 46

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28	4386 to 4392	Sundry District employes...	Pay of sundry persons for washing for metropolitan police, July, 1871.	190 58	190 58
28	4393	Lonisa Bradford	Washing towels for surveyor's office May and June, 1874.....	6 00	6 00
28	4394	Caned.			
28	4395 to 4417	Sundry persons, Washington Asylum, &c., August, 1874.		2, 017 34	2, 017 34
28	4418	John F. Cook, collector	Redemption of 1 tax-licen certificate, Georgetown, D.C., levy 1871-'72	41 75	41 75
28	4419	James Lynch	Erroneous payment of tax on lot 9, square 653, year ending June 30, 1875.	46 56	46 56
29	4420	Holtzclaw & Graham	Repairs to school-buildings of Washington, D. C.	72 49	72 49
29	4421	Moses Kelly, treasurer commissioners sinking-fund.	Requisition of the commissioners District of Columbia for interest paid by the commissioners of sinking-fund July 1, 1874	17, 758 22	17, 758 22
30	4422 to 4428	General District employes	Pay of commissioners District of Columbia, and employes in their office, September, 1874.	1, 690 01	1, 690 01
30	4429 to 4436	do	Pay of comptroller District of Columbia, and employes in his office, September, 1874.	88 67	88 67
30	4437 to 4440	do	Pay of auditor District of Columbia, and employes in his office, September, 1874.	500 00	500 00
30	4441 & 4442	do	Pay of treasurer, District of Columbia, and employes in his office, September, 1874.	260 00	260 00
30	4443 to 4448	do	Pay of deputy comptroller District of Columbia, and employes in his office, September, 1874.	430 66	430 66
30	4449 to 4452	do	Pay of superintendent of assessments and taxes District of Columbia, and employes in his office, September, 1874.	500 00	500 00
30	4453 to 4455	do	Pay of lieutenant Washington Asylum, and physician, Sept., 1874.	130 00	130 00
30	4456 to 4460	do	Pay of water-registrar, and employes in his office, September, 1874	593 60	593 60
30	4461 to 4465	do	Pay of attorney, assistant, and clerks in his office, September, 1874	420 00	420 00
30	4466 to 4474	do	Pay of collector District of Columbia, and employes in his office, September, 1874.	1, 019 73	1, 019 73
30	4475 to 4516	do	Pay of clerks and employes board of audit District of Columbia, September, 1874.	4, 765 01	4, 765 01
30	4517	Moses Kelly, treasurer commissioners sinking-fund.	Requisition of commissioners District of Columbia for interest due October 1, 1874, on bonds District of Columbia.	16, 283 58	16, 283 58
30	4518	George H. B. White, assistant cashier Nat'l Met. Bank.	Requisition of the commissioners of the District of Columbia for payment of note and interest of Governor H. D. Cooke.	40, 299 30	40, 299 30
30	4519	William Demison, commissioner Dist. of Columbia.	Redemption of coupons of the bonds of the District of Columbia due July 1, 1874, (in coin.)	24, 981 00	24, 981 00
30	4520	do	Redemption of coupons of the bonds of the District of Columbia due July 1, 1874, (in currency.)	8, 132 79	8, 132 79
30	4521	William B. Shaw	Erroneous payment of taxes on subdivision lot 19, square 216, year ending June 30, 1874.	183 50	183 50
30	4522	William Griffin	Balance due for services rendered water-registrar's office, February, 1874.	10 00	10 00
30	4523 to 4623	General District employes	Pay of officers and employes of engineer's office District of Columbia, September, 1874.	7, 431 13	7, 431 13
Oct. 1	4624	Dickson & King, assignees.	Redemption of 1 tax-licen certificate, Washington, levy 1872-'73.	40 50	40 50
2	4625	E. Carusi, attorney for G. M. Wright.	Judgment against District of Columbia, with costs and interest.	590 22	590 22
2	4626	L. G. Hine, attorney for William Gainaud.	do	4, 786 92	4, 786 92
2	4627	R. K. Elliott, attorney for Memorial Parish.	do	107 13	107 13

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1874.								
Oct.	4628	M. G. Emery, assignee.....	Redemption of 3 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-'73 ..			\$424 90	\$424 90	
2	4629	Sereno S. Grob.....	Erroneous payment of taxes on lot 23, square 373, year ending June 30, 1873.			104 43	104 43	
2	4630	J. H. Ketchum, commissioner District of Columbia.	Account temporary loan and interest of commissioners District of Columbia, (to lift note of A. K. Shepherd, First National Bank of New York.)			50,904 17	50,904 17	
2	4631 to 4643	General District employes ..	Pay of employes Washington Asylum, September, 1874			274 00	274 00	
2	4644	Wm. Scott Shaw, assignee ..	Redemption of 4 tax-lien certificates, Washington and Georgetown, levies 1871-'72 and 1872-'73.			57 14	57 14	
2	4645 to 4829	General District employes ..	Pay of superintendent, teachers, and janitors of public schools of Washington, September, 1874.			10,517 93	10,517 93	
2	4830	J. H. Ketchum, commissioner District of Columbia.	Account temporary loan and interest of commissioners of sinking-fund due Fourth National Bank of New York.			102,687 26	102,687 26	
2	4831	.....do	Account temporary loan and interest of commissioners of sinking-fund due National Bank of Commerce, New York.			155,924 80	155,924 80	
2	4832 to 5005	General District employes ..	Pay of metropolitan police and laborers for month of September, 1874.			10,489 82	10,489 82	
5	5096	E. McB. Timoney, assignee..	Redemption of 9 tax-lien certificates, Washington and county, Washington, levy 1872-'73.			121 71	121 71	
5	5097	M. V. Holley, assignee	Running telegraph wires and making the necessary connection between Washington Asylum and board of health.			12 50	12 50	
5	5098	William J. Lee	Repairing chair for auditor's office, District of Columbia, August, 1874.			1 35	1 35	
5	5099	Solomons & Chapman.....	Stationery furnished engineer department from July 15 to August 15, 1874.			743 55	743 55	
5	5100	Richard Fitzmorris	Removing office and fencing of P-street yard to Sixth-street wharf.			40 12	40 12	
5	5101	Wm. J. Murtagh, proprietor National Republican.	Advertising for commissioners of District of Columbia and engineer's department from September 1 to 30, 1874.			193 00	193 00	
5	5102	Thomas S. Hopkins	Professional services, attorney's office, District of Columbia, examining land-records from July 25 to August 20, 1874.			110 00	110 00	
5	5103	Barbara Williams	Rent of office for the property-yard at Sixth-street wharf, August, 1874.			15 00	15 00	
5	5104	F. W. Howe, superintendent.	Support of inmates of the Reform School, District of Columbia, September, 1874.			1,036 75	1,036 75	
5	5105	John F. Cook, collector	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-'73			19 97	19 97	

5	5106	James A. Kelly	Harness and repair to the same for fire department, District of Columbia, July and August, 1874.	211 00	214 00
5	5107	William M. Galt	Horse-feed furnished fire department, Washington and Georgetown, July, August, and September, 1874.	1, 172 93	1, 172 93
5	5108	Gray & Noyes	Furnishing engineer's department District of Columbia with lamp-posts, July, 1874.	45 80	45 80
5	5109	W. Scott Chow	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1871-'72.	9 01	9 01
5	5110	Hall & Hume	Groceries furnished Washington Asylum and Georgetown almshouse, September, 1874.	833 38	833 38
5	5111 to 5212	General District employes	Pay of superintendent, teachers, and janitors colored schools, Washington and Georgetown, September, 1874.	5, 838 34	6, 838 34
6	5213	Henry Johnson	Whitewashing and plastering station-house corner G and First street northwest.	25 00	25 00
6	5114 to 5285	General District employes	Pay of the fire department, Washington and Georgetown, September, 1874.	4, 484 15	4, 484 15
6	5286	E. A. Bulley	Services as messenger, executive office, from January 15 to July 16, 1874.	\$213 00	213 00
6	5287	McDermott Bros.	Repairs to engines, horse-carriage, &c., fire department District of Columbia, July 1 to August 31, 1874.	388 25	388 25
6	5288	Otis M. Bigelow	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1871-'72.	45 10	45 10
7	5289	John M. Brodhead	Compensation in part as member board of audit District of Columbia.	800 00	800 00
7	5290	John C. Parker	Docks and stationery furnished engineer's office District of Columbia, September, 1874.	288 75	288 75
7	5291	E. L. Fay, agent Independent Ice Company.	Ice furnished first precinct police-station, September, 1874.	12 15	12 15
7	5292	Ann Thomas	Washing and ironing for sixth-precinct police-station, Sept., 1874.	6 00	6 00
7	5293	George Jenkins	Washing and ironing for first-precinct police-station, Sept., 1874.	6 37	6 37
7	5294	Gibson Brothers	Blank commissions furnished the commissioners of District of Columbia.	11 00	11 00
7	5295	W. Koch, Washington Journal.	Advertising for commissioners of District of Columbia and engineer's office.	51 00	51 00
7	5296	William J. Lee	Canning 1 chair for engineer's office, September, 1874.	1 25	1 25
7	5297	E. G. Wheeler	Leather tree-straps furnished parking commission, District of Columbia, September, 1874.	75 00	75 00
7	5298	N. B. Fugitt	Lumber furnished the parking commission, District of Columbia, September, 1874.	25 56	25 56
7	5299	E. W. Woodruff	1 dozen file-holders furnished surveyor's office District of Columbia, September, 1874.	10 00	10 00
7	5300	Judd & Detweiler	Blanks printed for the attorney's office District of Columbia, September, 1874.	15 00	15 00
7	5301	S. S. Howison, president Potomac Ferry Company.	Rent of lots in square 473 for use District of Columbia, September 1 to 30, 1874.	25 00	25 00
7	5302	Loraine Peters	Services as page, house of delegates, third session, 1873, balance.	14 03	14 03
7	5303	F. Coyle, assignee	Redemption of 8 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip, and interest.	2, 687 65	2, 687 65
7	5304	Theo. Sheekels, assignee	Redemption of 23 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip, and interest.	1, 150 96	1, 150 96
7	5305	H. Franc, assignee	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1871-'72.	23 66	23 66
7	5306	Dickson & King, assignees	do.	10 91	10 91
7	5307	Thomas M. Plowman	Livery of horse for (self) inspector of buildings District of Columbia, September, 1874.	25 00	25 00

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				Act of Congress June 23, 1874, payment of officers and for other purposes.	Act of Congress June 22, 1874, deficiencies in fire department.	Taxes and revenues.		
1874.								
Oct. 7	5308 to 5314	Fire department of District of Columbia.	Pay of sundry bills fire department Washington and Georgetown, July, August, and September, 1874.			\$61 94	\$61 94	
7	5115	Washington Asylum and Georgetown almshouse.	Pay of sundry bills, Washington Asylum and Georgetown almshouse, July, August, and September, 1874.			1,527 45	1,527 45	
7	5326	Henry Johnson.	Beef furnished Georgetown almshouse July and August, 1874.			69 73	69 73	
7	5327	George F. Gulick, assignee.	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington levy, 1872-73.			49 15	49 15	
7	5328	Wm. J. Murtagh, proprietor National Republican.	Printing for public schools and engineer's office, District of Columbia.			21 00	21 00	
7	5329 & 5330	James F. Russell.	Services as inspector and weigher of coal, from January 1 to September 30, 1873, and from June 1 to September 14, 1874.	\$461 11		37 34	198 45	
7	5331	L. P. Seibold.	Balance of pay for services as operator fire-alarm telegraph, September, 1874.			16 66	16 66	
7	5332	H. H. Bishop.	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.			16 66	16 66	
7	5333	Harvey Spalding, assignee.	Redemption of 21 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.			157 82	157 82	
8	5334	James L. Barbour, assignee.	Advertising for commissioners of District of Columbia, and engineer's office, September, 1874.			58 48	58 48	
8	5335	John T. Cook, collector.	Redemption of 21 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.			1,708 97	1,708 97	
8	5336	S. H. Kaufman, president Evening Star Newspaper Company.	Redemption of 9 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip, and interest.			70 63	70 63	
8	5337 to 5355	General District employes.	Pay of teachers and janitors Georgetown public schools, September, 1874.			1,052 59	1,052 59	
8	5359 to 5386	.....do.....	Pay of garbage-collectors, Washington and Georgetown, September, 1874.			1,560 00	1,560 00	
9	5387	Rebecca Doherty.	Services as janitress at executive office, from April 30 to July 11, 1874.	88 00			88 00	
9	5388	Frank Hume.	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.			24 99	24 99	
9	5389	Henry Johnson.	Whitewashing and repairs to police station-house, K street, between Twentieth and Twenty-first streets.			20 00	20 00	
9	5390	A. Queen.	Coffins furnished deceased paupers from Aug. 20 to Sept. 12, 1874.			98 50	98 50	
9	5391	Michael Green, assignee.	Redemption of 9 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip, and interest.			1,242 72	1,242 72	
9	5392	James H. Moore, assignee.	Erroneous payment of taxes on block 10, Todd & Brown's subdivision lot 14, Washington County, year ending June 30, 1874.			5 18	5 18	
9	5393	E. McB. Timoney & Co., assignees.	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington and county Washington, levy 1872-73.			12 13	12 13	

9	5394 to 5408	General District employes.....	.....	.....	.....	516 65	516 65
9	5409 to 5457	.....do.....	.....	.....	.....	2,137 92	2,137 92
9	5458	L. W. Vale, superintendent Chronicle Publishing Co.	.....	.....	.....	3,108 00	3,108 00
9	5459	Richard Fitzmorris.....	.....	.....	.....	392 65	392 65
9	5460	Mary E. Tallberg.....	.....	.....	.....	150 00	150 00
9	5461	M. A. Austin.....	.....	32 00	.....	32 00	32 00
9	5462	S. S. Hunt.....	.....	.....	.....	250 00	250 00
9	5463	Mary A. Francis.....	.....	.....	.....	12 00	12 00
		Amount carried forward.....	1,312,720 86	33,962 52	897,741 27	2,244,494 65	2,244,494 65

Pay of market-masters, Northern, Eastern, Northeastern, West-
 ern, and Georgetown markets, September, 1874.
 Pay of teachers and janitors county schools, September, 1874.
 Advertising tax-licen certificates, District of Columbia.
 Removing old material for engineer's department District of
 Columbia, September, 1874.
 Rent of police-station, July, August, and September, 1874.
 Washing for eighth police-station, April, May, and June, 1872.
 Account erection of public-school building Georgetown, D. C.
 Washing for engineer's department District of Columbia, Sep-
 tember, 1874.

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				Act of Congress June 23, 1874, payment of laborers.	Act of Congress June 23, 1874, payment of officers and employees, and for other purposes.	Act of Congress June 23, 1874, deficiencies in fire department.			
1874.									
Oct. 9	5464	R. McMurray, treasurer.....	Amount brought forward.....		\$1,312,730 86	\$83,902 52	\$297,741 27	\$2,244,424 65	
9	5465	Samuel S. Hunt.....	Rent of 2 school-rooms, First Baptist Church, Washington, quarter ending June 30, 1874.				125 00	125 00	
9	5466	R. Cruth, jr.....	Repairs to school-buildings corner Nineteenth and II streets, Washington, D.C.				61 25	61 25	
9	5467	J. B. McKay.....	Livery of horse for surveyor's office, District of Columbia, September, 1874.				28 00	28 00	
10	5468	A. L. Sturtevant, treasurer National Safe-Deposit Com- pany.....	Veterinary services in the fire department District of Columbia, from November 14, 1873, to June 14, 1874.			116 00			116 00
10	5469	Benjamin N. Meeds, assignee	Deposit of packages of books and papers belonging to Washington City councils, June 30 to September 30, 1874.				10 00	10 00	
10	5470	James Small.....	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-'73.				3 12	3 12	
10	5471 to 5602	General District employes.....	Pay as scaler of weights and measures, July 1 to September 30, 1874.				20 00	20 00	
12	5603	John Marbury, jr., treasurer	Pay of employes parking-commission, engineer's department, September, 1874.				4,469 25	4,469 25	
12	5604	W. H. Groat & Co.....	Account expenses of the board of health.....				3,055 00	3,055 00	
13	5605	Barbara Williams.....	Building gravel-pit and inlet at Eleventh and Boundary streets northeast.				2,926 16	2,926 16	
13	5606	William Whelan.....	Rent of office for superintendent of property, Sixth-street wharf, September, 1874.				15 00	15 00	
13	5607	Alex. Sharp, United States marshal.	Overhauling and repairs to gas-pipes Columbia buildings.				20 00	20 00	
13	5608	William H. Covington.....	Expenses in summoning, impounding, and swearing jury to condemn alley, square 509, Washington, D.C.				32 21	32 21	
13	5609	F. D. Squires.....	Balance of salary as watchman, District of Columbia, September, 1873.		2 47			2 47	
13	5610	J. McDermott & Brother.....	Services as repairman fire-alarm telegraph, District of Columbia, September, 1874.				60 00	60 00	
13	5611	Hall & Ittne.....	Repairs, &c., to hose-carriage, fire department District of Columbia.				186 10	186 10	
13			Supplies furnished the fire department District of Columbia, August, 1874.				311 45	311 45	

13	5612	William O. Drew	Two box-window frames, with sash and glass, furnished the fire department, Georgetown, D. C.	25 00	25 00
13	5613	I. Jasper Collins	Window and door frames, &c., furnished the fire department, Georgetown, D. C.	24 50	24 50
13	5614	Ann Thomas	Washing and ironing for sixth precinct metropolitan police, August, 1874.	6 00	6 00
13	5615	George Courtney	Plumbing, &c., metropolitan-police station, K and Twentieth streets, Washington.	96 15	96 15
13	5616	F. D. Squires	Repairman fire-alarm telegraph, July 16 to August 31, 1874.	90 00	90 00
13	5617 to 5739	Bartlett & Williams, contractors.	Payment of laborers .....	.....	.....
14	5740 to 5835	Finnegan & Nesdall, contractors.	do .....	.....	.....
15	5836	Samuel S. Hunt	Account work, completion school-house, Georgetown, D. C.	4, 016 93	4, 016 93
16	5837 to 5850	Brannon & Hutton, contractors.	Pay of laborers .....	.....	.....
16	5851	Joseph L. Savage	Supplies furnished engineer's office District of Columbia.	28 55	28 55
16	5852	Noble D. Larner, secretary..	Renewal of fire-insurance policies, public-school buildings, Washington.	53 75	53 75
19	5853	B. W. Summy, assignee.....	Redemption of 8 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-'73.	181 64	181 64
19	5854	George E. Baker	Salary as comptroller District of Columbia, October 1 to 19, 1874, inclusive.	163 44	163 44
19	5855	D. C. Patterson	Salary as coroner District of Columbia, from July 1 to September 30, 1874.	250 00	250 00
19	5856	George S. Koontz, general agent Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.	Freight on 2 cases sewer-pipe from Mansfield, Ohio, for District of Columbia.	153 63	153 63
20	5857 to 5914	General District employees..	Pay of laborers, water department District of Columbia, September, 1874.	3, 111 86	3, 111 86
20	5915	L. P. Siebold	Services assisting repairs fire-alarm telegraph, July, 1874.	54 00	54 00
20	5916	Theo. Sheekles, assignee.....	Redemption of 23 pieces Washington City special tax scrip, and interest.	545 65	545 65
20	5917	Nicholas Acker	Redemption of 4 pieces Washington City special tax scrip, and interest.	89 27	89 27
20	5918	John F. Cook, collector	Redemption of 3 tax-lien certificates, Washington, County, and Georgetown, levies 1871-'72-'73.	265 48	265 48
20	5919	C. A. Fleetwood, agent Freedman's Savings and Trust Company.	Redemption 3 tax-lien certificates, Washington and County Washington, levies 1872-'73.	122 29	122 29
20	5920	Joseph Fletcher, assignee....	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington and Georgetown, levy 1872-'73.	16 45	16 45
20	5921	William Clabaugh, assignee..	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate Washington, levy 1872-'73.	73 50	73 50
20	5922	Gibson Brothers	do	62 87	62 87
20	5923	D. O'C. Callaghan, assignee..	Redemption of 3 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1871-'72.	8 97	8 97

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1874.									
Oct. 20	5924	Frank Hume, assignee.....	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1871-72.				\$14 15	\$14 15	
20	5925	Harvey Spalding, assignee....	Redemption of 7 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levies 1871-72-73.				102 75	102 75	
20	5926	E. McL. Timoney, assignee....	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.				3 66	3 66	
20	5927	B. W. Summy.....	do.....						
20	5928	W. L. Bramhall.....	do.....				19 89	19 89	
20	5929	Dickson & King, assignees....	do.....				106 99	106 99	
20	5930	William H. Slater, assignee....	do.....				64 80	64 80	
20	5931	John E. Kendall, assignee....	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.				105 46	105 46	
20	5932	John F. Cook, assignee.....	Redemption of 3 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.				183 03	183 03	
20	5933	William Stickney, assignee....	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.				138 38	138 38	
20	5934	C. A. Fleetwood, agent Freelmen's Savings and Trust Company.	Redemption of 15 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.				500 00	500 00	
20	5935	Francis Pratt, assignee.....	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.				47 06	47 06	
20	5936	Henry T. Blow, commissioner	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.				132 82	132 82	
20	5937	Solomons & Chapman.....	Sundry contingent expenses commissioners' office District of Columbia.				11 54	11 54	
20	5938	G. F. Hyde, agent.....	Stationery furnished comptroller's, collector's, and commissioners' offices, District of Columbia, 1874. Freight and wharfage on sewer-pipe for District of Columbia.				164 95	164 95	
20	5939	Thomas J. Shea.....	Issuing 2 notices of District of Columbia vs. J. R. Lord				276 25	276 25	
20	5940	C. A. Kimmel.....	Serving notices in case of United States vs. J. R. Lord				2 90	2 90	
20	5941	Gilmer, Meredith & Co.....	Fifty tons bituminous coal, water department District of Columbia.				8 50	8 50	
20	5942	Rebecca Dougherty.....	Services cleaning office of board of registration, October, 1873.				250 00	250 00	
20	5943	E. G. Church.....	Postage-stamps for board of audit, District of Columbia.				\$5 00	\$5 00	
							7 00	7 00	

20	5944	John C. Parker	Stationery furnished board of audit, August 4 to September 29, 1874.			64 90	64 90
20	5945	William J. Lee	Repairs to chairs, board of audit. District of Columbia.			8 05	8 05
20	5946	S. & L. O. Polkinton	Printing blanks for board of audit. District of Columbia.			108 00	108 00
20	5947	Martin Groun	Expenses incurred by order commissioners District of Columbia in attending convention of chief engineers in Saint Louis, Mo.			117 00	117 00
20	5948	Washington Nailor	Pustrage, feeding, &c., 2 horses for fire department District of Columbia.			22 50	22 50
20	5949	John J. Cook	Repairs to engine No. 3. Georgetown, D. C.			315 00	315 00
20	5950	Douglas Moore	Repairs to engine-house No. 1, Washington, D. C.			69 16	69 16
20	5951	A. H. Dodge, president Georgetown Gas-light Company.	Gas furnished street lamps, &c.			1, 128 52	1, 128 52
20	5952 to 5992	Hamilton & Whittemore, contractors.	Pay of laborers	\$1, 150 40			1, 150 40
20	5993	Henry T. Blow, commissioner District of Columbia	Pay of demand-note, dated July 29, 1874, First National Bank, New York City.			125, 000 00	125, 000 00
20	5994	E. G. Church	Salary as assistant accountant board of audit, from September 1 to 30, 1874, inclusive.			100 00	100 00
21	5995	Jas. B. Dodson	Carpeting, No. 1 truck, fire department District of Columbia.	\$22 50			22 50
21	5996	S. B. Bayer	Repairs to No. 1 truck, fire-department District of Columbia.	137 20			137 20
21	5997	N. B. Clark	Services as clerk to superintendent of election, October, 1873.	5 00			5 00
21	5998	Thos. B. Warriek, assignee	Redemption of tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.			38 54	38 54
21	5999 to 6031	General District employes	Pay of clerks to superintendents of election, October, 1873.	165 00			165 00
21	6032	George E. Baker	Sundry contingent expenses, comptroller's office District of Columbia.			50 40	50 40
21	6033 to 6034	J. I. Baden & W. S. McKean	Pay as clerks of election, October, 1873.	10 00			10 00
21	6035 to 6173	General District employes	Pay of superintendents of election, October, 1873.	695 00			695 00
21	6174	Hamilton & Whittemore, contractors.	Pay of Thomas Hughes, laborer	161 25			161 25
21	6175	T. Edward Clark & Co.	Fuel furnished District offices, Washington Asylum, Georgetown Almshouse, police-stations, fire department, &c., 1874.			2, 401 28	2, 401 28
23	6176	Samuel S. Hunt	Account of contract for completion of public-school building, Georgetown.			250 00	250 00
26	6177 to 6371	General District employes	Pay of superintendent, teachers, and janitors public schools, Washington, D. C., October, 1874.			10, 631 18	10, 631 18
26	6372 to 6419	do	Pay of teachers and janitors county schools, Washington, October, 1874.			2, 132 39	2, 132 39
26	6420 to 6441	do	Pay of teachers and janitors Georgetown schools, Washington, October, 1874.			1, 052 59	1, 052 59
26	6442 to 6450	Geo. H. Boston, contractor	Pay of laborers	1, 090 00			1, 090 00
26	6451	L. W. Vale, superintendent Chronicle Publishing Company.	Advertising and printing for commissioners', engineers', collector's, and auditor's offices, District of Columbia.			339 25	339 25

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1874.								
Oct. 26	6452 to 6614	Vandenberg & Co., contractors.	Pay of laborers.	\$8,343 33				\$8,343 33
26	6615	Clement Hill	Pay as inspector-general board of public works, April 1 to July 6, 1874.		\$644 45			644 45
27	6616	William J. Murtagh, proprietor National Republican.	Printing and advertising for sundry District offices.				\$393 08	393 08
27	6617	W. P. Dunwoody, agent C. S. Townsend.	Erroneous payment of taxes on lot 46, square 274, Washington, year ending June 30, 1873.				37 66	37 66
27	6618	Timothy Desmond	Erroneous payment of taxes on lot 10, subdivision 25, square 356, year ending June 30, 1873.				10 76	10 76
27	6619	T. Edward Clark & Co.	Fuel furnished Washington, Georgetown, county, and colored public schools.				4,408 11	4,408 11
27	6620	Wm. L. Bramhall, assignee.	Redemption of 14 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levies 1871-72 and 1872-73.				1,064 54	1,064 54
27	6621	W. H. Mills	Services as inspector of burning wood, Bangor, Me., August, September, October, November, 1874.	624 00				624 00
27	6622	H. Clay Stewart, assignee	Redemption of 12 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.				547 16	547 16
27	6623	Mrs. Sarah Stevenson	Washing done for hook and ladder company No. 1, July, 1874.				10 75	10 75
27	6624	George Atkins.	Furnishing horses and carts for work on Nineteenth street east, from June 30 to July 12, 1874, inclusive.				161 00	161 00
27	6625	William L. Cowan, treasurer board of trustees public schools.	Services as treasurer board trustees public schools, from July 1 to 7, 1874, inclusive.				12 04	12 04
27	6626	J. L. Kervand	Printing 100 fire-alarm cards for board fire commissioners.				30 00	30 00
27	6627 to 6641	F. H. Finley, contractor	Pay of laborers	889 83				889 83
27	6642 to 6643	General District employees.	Pay superintendents of property board public works, January 16 to May 31, 1874.		97 00			97 00
27	6644 to 6650	do	Pay of special superintendents board public works, December, 1873, to July, 1874, inclusive.		2,042 40			2,042 40
28	6651	John F. Cook, collector	Redemption of 10 tax-lien certificates, Washington and Washington County, levies 1871-72, 1872, 1872-73.				572 38	572 38

28	6652	W. H. Slater, assignee.....	90 71	90 71
28	6653	R. H. Ryan, assignee.....	28 41	28 41
28	6654	S. H. Kaufman, president of Evening Star Newspaper Company.....	156 13	156 13
28	6655	John D. Wallace, assignee.....	381 82	381 82
28	6656 to 6663	General District employes.....	1,764 17	1,764 17
28	6664 to 6672	do.....	707 74	707 74
28	6673 to 6676	do.....	500 00	500 00
28	6677 to 6678	do.....	500 00	500 00
28	6679 to 6684	do.....	513 33	513 33
28	6685 to 6689	do.....	420 00	420 00
28	6690 to 6693	do.....	500 00	500 00
28	6694 to 6698	do.....	583 60	583 60
28	6699 to 6702	do.....	344 46	344 46
28	6703	William F. Mattingly, re- ceiver Washington City Savings Bank.....	1,284 37	1,284 37
28	6704	Solomons & Chapman.....	167 35	167 35
28	6705	J. D. McPherson.....	390 55	390 55
28	6706	Mason & Baker, attorneys Geo. B. Chandler, assignee.....	64 10	65 10
28	6707	Harvey Spalding, assignee.....	86 16	86 16
28	6708	Thomas Norfleet, assignee.....	58 86	58 86
28	6709	Sylvester I. Thomas.....	5 84	5 84
28	6710	Thomas Dowling.....	4 17	4 17
28	6711	J. M. Broadhead.....	500 00	500 00
28	6712	R. W. Taylor.....	500 00	500 00
28	6713	Charles Williams.....	5 73	5 73
28	6714 to 6815	General District employes.....	8,616 04	8,616 04
28	6816 to 7009	Samuel Barber, contractor.....	4,871 89	4,871 89
30	7010	William H. Nalley.....	20 50	20 50

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1874, Oct. 30	7011	William Ballentyne.....	School registers furnished public schools District of Columbia.				\$390 70	\$390 70	
30	7012	Michael Fitzgerald.....	Repairing, graveling, and felting roof Sixth-street police-station.				94 10	94 10	
30	7013	G. M. Wight.....	One desk for comptroller's office, October, 1874....				18 00	18 00	
30	7014	Samuel Cross, secretary.....	National Metropolitan Insurance Company, re-nal of insurance on colored-school buildings.				48 75	48 75	
30	7015	Dickson & King, assignees.....	Redemption of one tax-lie certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.				64 26	64 26	
30	7016	J. McDermott & Brothers.....	Redemption of three tax-lie certificates, Washington, levy 1871-72.				150 77	150 77	
30	7017 to 7025	General District officers.....	Pay of collector District of Columbia, and employes, October, 1874.				1,046 88	1,046 88	
30	7026	William A. Cook.....	Services as attorney board of public works District of Columbia.		\$2,000 00			2,000 00	
30	7027 to 7071	General District employes.....	Pay of clerks, &c., board of audit District of Columbia, October, 1874.				4,938 34	4,938 34	
30	7072	Moses Kelly, treasurer commissioners sinking-fund.	Payment of interest on funding-loan bonds District of Columbia, due November, 1874.				25,000 00	25,000 00	
30	7073 to 7142	Adams, contractor.....	Warrants canceled.		73 20			73 20	
31	7143	Rev. J. E. Rankin.....	Balance of salary due as chaplain house of delegates District of Columbia.						
31	7144 to 7148	General District employes.....	Pay of officers and employes Georgetown almshouse, from October 1, 1872, to June 30, 1874.		1,690 00			1,690 00	
31	7149	W. T. Duvall.....	Repairing engine No. 5, Georgetown fire department.				91 35	91 35	
31	7150	B. W. Reed.....	Supplies furnished the fire department Washington and Georgetown.				155 91	155 91	
31	7151	John H. Mitchell.....	Horseshoeing for engineer's department District of Columbia, September, 1874.				16 30	16 30	
31	7152	Thomas Geary.....	Livery of seven horses for commissioners' and engineer's offices District of Columbia.				91 66	91 66	
31	7153	James O. Hagan.....	Repairing gas fixtures Western market, September, 1874.				6 55	6 55	

31	7154	J. S. Beun	Painting and glazing police-stations	60 62	60 62
31	7155	H. Johnson	Repairing, plastering, and whitewashing central guard-house.	70 00	70 00
31	7156	William A. Hawkins.	Washing for eighth police-station, September, 1874.	5 55	5 55
31	7157	Langdon, Barber & Al- bright.	Rent of second police-station, July, August, and September, 1874.	225 00	225 00
31	7158	C. Kattelman.	Repairing clock, county schools.	1 00	1 00
31	7159	William Bradford.	Salary as messenger to superintendent of assess- ments and taxes, from October 25 to October 31, 1874.	8 00	8 00
31	7160 to 7170	Barker & Maxwell, contrac- tors.	Pay of laborers.	\$607 11	607 11
31	7171	William H. Morrison	Rent of buildings for District offices, from June 1 to October 31, 1874.	1,500 00	1,500 00
31	7172	Samuel S. Hunt.	Payment of four installments on account of erec- tion of public-school building, Georgetown.	250 00	250 00
31	7173	J. L. Chubb	Grading on Delaware avenue, between C and E streets northeast.	521 32	521 32
31	7174	H. T. Blow, commissioner District of Columbia.	Payment of balance of demand-note and interest due First National Bank New York City, dated July 29, 1874.	63,999 88	63,999 88
Nov. 1	7175	A. R. Shepherd	Pipe furnished superintendent of property Dis- trict of Columbia.	14 00	14 00
1	7176	J. McDermott & Bro.	Repairing picks, &c., for parking commission, District of Columbia.	16 75	16 75
1	7177	D. C. Patterson	Pay as coroner District of Columbia, October, 1874.	133 33	133 33
1	7178	William Ballantyne	Furniture furnished public schools Washington, D. C.	1,526 54	1,526 54
1	7179	T. M. Ploverman	Livery of horse for engineer's department, Octo- ber, 1874.	25 00	25 00
1	7180 to 7205	General District employes	Pay of clerks of election, October, 1873.	130 00	130 00
1	7206 to 7214	Washington public schools.	Pay of sundry bills, sundry persons, Washington public schools.	353 47	353 47
1	7215	William Gassaway	Pay as messenger to the board of audit, from Oc- tober 1 to October 7, 1874.	15 81	15 81
2	7216 to 7229	I. Washington, contractor	Pay of laborers.	540 06	540 06
3	7230 to 7490	General District employes	Pay of the metropolitan police, October, 1874.	10,543 37	10,543 37
3	7491 to 7496	Georgetown public schools.	Pay of sundry bills of Georgetown public schools	100 75	100 75
3	7497 to 7499	.....do	Pay of sundry persons stowing away coal, George- town public schools.	15 85	15 85
3	7500 to 7505	.....do	Pay of sundry persons repairing public-school buildings, Georgetown.	244 94	244 94
4	7506 to 7510	Georgetown almshouse	Supplies furnished by sundry persons, George- town almshouse, from July 1 to August 31, 1874.	174 42	174 42
4	7511 to 7516	General District employes	Pay of assessors District of Columbia, from Octo- ber 20 to October 31, 1874.	154 80	154 80
4	7517	John McClelland	Repairs and supplies furnished the fire depart- ment District of Columbia.	634 05	634 05
4	7518 to 7531	Washington public schools.	Pay of sundry persons for rent of buildings for public schools, Washington, D. C.	2,218 33	2,218 33
4	7532	Charles Lemon	Repairs, &c., rooms for colored schools, Georgetown	45 00	45 00

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1874.								
Nov. 4	7533	J. O. Wilson, superintendent public schools	Postage-stamps for use public schools District of Columbia.				\$15 00	\$15 00
4	7534	Isaac Davenport.	Repairs to rooms for colored schools, Georgetown, D. C.				40 97	40 97
4	7535 & 7536	J. L. Chesebrough & Co., Independent Ice Company.	Ice furnished office fire-alarm telegraph, from May 1 to September 30, 1874.			\$5 40	13 80	19 20
4	7537	Elizabeth Booth	Washing for engine company No. 5, Georgetown, September, 1874.				7 10	7 10
4	7538	John Lynch.	Horse-shoeing for No. 5 engine company, Georgetown, September, 1874.				6 50	6 50
4	7539	J. S. Barker & Co., Kennebec Ice Company.	Ice furnished hook-and-ladder and No. 5 engine companies from July 1 to September 30, 1874.				26 25	26 25
4	7540	Henry C. Stevens	Repairs to station-house corner First and F streets, Washington, D. C.				21 80	21 80
4	7541	Henry Johnson	Repairs, &c., station-house, Georgetown, D. C., October, 1874.				15 00	15 00
4	7542	A. R. Shepherd & Co.	Articles furnished engineer's office, and repairs to water-closet, &c., District offices.				31 60	31 60
4	7543 & 7544	M. V. Buckley & H. Dade.	Pay as trustees Georgetown almshouse, from July 1 to October 20, 1874.				48 82	48 82
4	7545	Bryan Bros	Redemption of four pieces Washington City special tax scrip, and interest.				74 77	74 77
4	7546	Wall, Robinson & Co.	Supplies furnished the fire department, Washington and Georgetown, from June 22 to September 1, 1874.				\$22 00	\$22 00
4	7547	William L. Bramhall	Redemption of eleven tax-lien certificates, Washington, levies 1871-72, 1872-73.				411 13	411 13
4	7548	William H. Smallwood	Whitewashing tree-boxes for parking commission, October, 1874.				33 05	33 05
4	7549	John S. Crocker, jr	Services as rodman, engineer's department, September 22 to October 10, 1874.				40 00	40 00
5	7550 to 7557	General District employees	Pay of clerks of election, October, 1873		\$40 00			40 00

5	7558	Fannie Williams.....	Washing for No. 3 engine company, August and September, 1874.....	.....	.....	15 88
5	7559	J. McDermott & Brothers.....	Repairs for hook and ladder No. 2 and No. 4 engine companies, October, 1874.....	.....	.....	33 90
5	7560	Charles Chase.....	Labor of horse and cart, Western market, June, September, and December, 1873.....	56 25	.....	56 25
5	7561	S. H. Sherman.....	Services as harbor-master, Georgetown, June 3, 1872, to July 1, 1874.....	206 40	.....	206 40
5	7562	R. G. Campbell.....	Gas-fixture and repairs to gas-pipes, Georgetown engine-house No. 3, July, 1874.....	.....	.....	119 50
5	7563	J. C. Whitwell, secretary and treasurer Great Falls Ice Company.....	Ice furnished District offices, September, 1874.....	.....	.....	49 40
5	7564	Mason & Baker, attorneys for George B. Chandler, assignee.....	Redemption of 2 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip, and interest.....	.....	.....	93 26
5	7565	Theo. Sheekels, assignee.....	Redemption of 10 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip, and interest.....	.....	.....	450 00
5	7566	A. Thuyet.....	Erroneous payment of taxes on lot 29, Bealls & Hawkins' addition to Georgetown, years ending June 30, 1873, 74.....	.....	.....	19 04
5	7567	John H. Mitchell.....	Shoeing horses for No. 4 engine company, month of September, 1874.....	.....	.....	13 75
5	7568	Louisa Irving.....	Washing for No. 4 engine company, March, April, May, and June, 1874.....	37 66	.....	37 66
5	7569	.....do.....	Washing for No. 4 engine company, July, August, and September, 1874.....	.....	.....	31 50
5	7570	Sarah Stevenson.....	Washing for hook and ladder company, Sept., 1874.....	.....	.....	8 81
5	7571 to 7583	Dennis Nally, contractor.....	Pay of laborers.....	\$3,326 86	.....	3,326 86
5	7584	Thomas G. Lewis.....	Services as transfer on public street improvements, board public works, prior to June 23, 1874.....	276 50	.....	276 50
5	7585	Nathan Sargent, president Reform-School District of Columbia.....	Support of inmates, October, 1874.....	.....	.....	1,136 00
5	7586	M. N. Keys.....	Services as rodman, engineer's office, from September 28 to October 31, 1874.....	.....	.....	75 00
5	7587	Augustus B. Green.....	Services as rodman, engineer's office, from October 20 to October 30, 1874.....	.....	.....	22 50
5	7588	W. D. Plowden.....	Services as axeman, engineer's office, from October 20 to October 30, 1874.....	.....	.....	18 00
5	7589	Warren Choate & Co.....	Law books furnished the attorney's office District of Columbia, 1874.....	.....	.....	135 50
5	7590	W. H. Simpson.....	Use of horse and wagon, engineer's department, October, 1874.....	.....	.....	40 50
5	7591	R. H. Graham.....	Repairs for the engineer's department, September, 1874.....	.....	.....	90 29
5	7592	Not issued.....	Blankets furnished Washington Asylum, Nov., 1874.....	.....	.....	250 00
5	7593	Yates & Mitchell.....	Redemption of 3 tax-ben certificates, Washington levy 1872-73.....	.....	.....	108 32
5	7594	G. L. Magruder.....	Advertising for commissioners' and engineer's offices, September and October, 1874.....	98 85
6	7595	Ringwalt, Haek & Co., proprietors Daily Critic.....

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1874. Nov. 6	7596	Samuel S. Hunt.....	Completing new public-school house, Georgetown, 5th insubment.	\$250 00	\$250 00
6	7597 to 7607	General District employes— Langdon, Barber & Albright Wall, Robinson & Co	Pay of the fire department, October, 1874. Rent of 2d precinct police-station, October, 1874. Supplies furnished Washington Asylum and Georgetown Almshouse, October, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	4,543 12 75 00 945 13	4,543 17 75 00 945 13
7	7670	John Campbell.....	Erroneous payment of taxes on lot part 15, square 539, year ending June 30, 1875.	.....	.....	.....	38 40	38 40
7	7671 to 7724	Newfangled Paving Company, contractors.	Pay of laborers	\$2,836 04	.....	.....	.....	2,836 04
7	7725	Hall & Hume	Supplies furnished Washington Asylum, October, 1874	.....	.....	.....	873 75	873 75
7	7726	Bernard A. Ryan	Services as messenger board of audit, District of Columbia, November 1 to 5, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	8 33	8 33
7	7727	Alfred Stevenson	Services as watchman west wing City Hall, September, 1873; balance.	.....	\$16 30	.....	.....	16 30
7	7728	D. N. Row	Services as laborer under contract with board public works.	400 00	.....	.....	.....	400 00
7	7729	John Marlbury, treasurer board of health.	Requisition of commissioners District of Columbia, for board of health for sanitary purposes.	.....	.....	.....	2,685 00	2,685 00
7	7730 to 7740	General District employes ..	Pay of employes of engineer's department District of Columbia, October 1 to 4, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	122 21	122 21
9	7741	John F. Kelly	Ice furnished 7th precinct police-station, September, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	6 00	6 00
9	7742	H. W. Hall	Supplies furnished Washington Asylum, October, 1874	.....	.....	.....	74 47	74 47
9	7743	Charles C. Carroll	Beef furnished Washington Asylum, October, 1874	.....	.....	.....	210 10	210 10
9	7744	Jos. F. Hodgson	Marketing furnished Washington Asylum, Oct. 1874.	.....	.....	.....	64 23	64 23
9	7745	W. L. Sears	Drugs and medicines furnished Washington Asylum, October, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	113 18	113 18
9	7746 to 7761	General District employes ..	Pay of market-masters, Western, Northern, Eastern, Northeastern, and Georgetown Markets, Oct., 1874.	.....	.....	.....	580 82	580 82
9	7762 to 7790	.....do	Pay of parking-commission, engineer's department, October, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	1,347 23	1,347 23
9	7791 to 7797	.....do	Pay of employes Washington Asylum, October, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	202 50	202 50
9	7798 to 7883	.....do	Pay of employes water-registrar's department, October, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	3,761 68	3,761 68

9	7884	George W. Goodall.....	Repairs to gas-pipes, furnishing burners, &c., comp- troller's and auditor's offices District of Columbia.	.....	.....	13 25
9	7885 to 7962	General District employes.....	Pay of laborers, engineer's department, October, 1874.	.....	.....	3, 896 37
9	7963	L. W. Hall.....	Supplies furnished the Georgetown almshouse, Octo- ber, 1874.	.....	.....	82 85
9	7964	Robert Ball.....	Shoes furnished Washington Asylum, District of Co- lumbia, October, 1874.	.....	.....	88 75
9	7965	W. H. Garges.....	Blacksmithing for Washington Asylum, August, Sep- tember, and October, 1874.	.....	.....	77 59
9	7966	William Hawkins.....	Washing for the eighth police-station, October, 1874.	.....	.....	14 00
9	7967	George Crouner.....	Washing for the seventh police-station, Sept., 1874.	.....	.....	8 25
9	7968	Jas. M. Bell.....	Taking down stands and building up the same on the line of O street market, Washington, D. C.	.....	.....	40 00
9	7969	Gibson Bros.....	Printing blanks for the water registrar's office, June 24 and 26, and July 10, 1874.	.....	.....	77 25
9	7970	G. F. Hyde, agent New Ex- press Line.	Freight on water-pipe for District of Columbia, Octo- ber, 1874.	.....	.....	67 12
9	7971	James Halley.....	Erroneous payment of taxes on lots 1 and 2, square 427, years ending June 30, 1873-74.	.....	.....	26 25
9	7972	John Grindler.....	Erroneous payment of taxes on lot 25, square 497, year ending June 30, 1873.	.....	.....	27 51
9	7973	William J. Murtagh, propri- etor National Republican.	Blanks furnished board of health.....	.....	5 33	45 50
9	7975	Kate Proctor.....	Washing for engine company No. 2, from June 1 to October 30, 1874.	.....	.....	35 00
9	7976	Gibson Bros.....	Printing done for board of health, October 3 and 15, 1874.	.....	.....	31 75
9	7977	F. J. Grimke.....	Services as clerk of records, board of health, Septem- ber and October, 1874.	.....	.....	66 67
9	7978	Jeremiah Murphy.....	Horseshoeing for fire department, July, August, and September, 1874.	.....	.....	60 00
9	7979	Daniel Williams.....	Scavenger's work at Northern market, March 1 to June 30, 1874.	48 00	.....	48 00
9	7980	Watts & Co.....	Sundry articles furnished fire-alarm telegraph, Octo- ber 3 and 13, 1874.	.....	.....	457 50
9	7981	Robert Leitch.....	50 fire-alarm-box keys for fire department, Washing- ton and Georgetown, D. C.	.....	.....	12 50
9	7982	F. D. Squires.....	Services as repairman fire-alarm telegraph, D. C. Oc- tober, 1874.	.....	.....	60 00
9	7983 & 7984	George F. Gulek & Bro.....	Supplies furnished No. 3 engine company, from May 1 to June 1, 1874.	4 56	.....	10 71
9	7985	George Jenkins.....	Washing for first precinct police-station, October, 1874.	.....	.....	6 37
9	7986	Mary Thomas.....	Washing for fire-alarm telegraph, September and Oc- tober, 1874.	.....	.....	4 00
9	7987	Sarah Butler.....	Washing for No. 5 engine company, Georgetown, to November 1, 1874.	.....	.....	5 37
9	7988	John F. Doran.....	Supplies furnished fire company No. 1, Washington, July 6 to September 7, 1874.	.....	.....	29 25
9	7989	M. W. Galt.....	Feed furnished fire department, Washington and Georgetown, September and October, 1874.	.....	.....	787 89
9	7990	Thomas Norfleet.....	Supplies and sundry repairs for the fire department, Washington and Georgetown, July, August, Sep- tember and October, 1874.	596 72

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1874. Nov. 9	7991	Jos. L. Savage	Supplies and sundry repairs for fire department, October, 1874.				\$106 65	\$106 65
9	7992	N. B. Fugitt	Lumber furnished No. 2 engine company, Washington, D. C.				10 58	10 58
9	7993	Edwin Barker	Repairing, plastering, &c., No. 5 engine house, Georgetown, D. C.				62 00	62 00
9	7994	Mrs. E. Keefe	Washing for engine company No. 1, Washington, D. C.				35 50	35 50
9	7995	I. E. Clarke & Co.	Fuel furnished fire-alarm telegraph, property-yards, and surveyor's office, District of Columbia.				103 36	103 36
9	7996	A. L. Dodge, president Georgetown Gas-light Company.	Gas furnished D. C. street-lamps, station-houses, &c., Georgetown, D. C.				1, 227 60	1, 227 60
9	7997	Jas. G. Naylor	Carpenter's work done at Columbia Buildings, from July 11 to September 16, 1874.				420 50	420 50
9	7998	Wight & Frost	Rent of room for colored schools on Third street, for July and August.				50 00	50 00
9	7999	C. B. Church & Co.	Rent of room for colored schools, on Tenth street, between D and E, from July 1 to September 30, 1874.				60 00	60 00
9	8000	William J. Rhees	Rent of room for colored schools for quarter ending September 30, 1874.				250 00	250 00
9	8001	Gilmer, Meredith & Co.	35 tons of coal furnished water department District of Columbia, September, 1874.				175 00	175 00
9	8002 to 8012	General District employes	Pay of superintendent, engineer, and janitors of colored schools, from June 11 to August 31, 1874, inclusive.				2, 030 26	2, 030 26
9	8013	J. H. Ketchum, commissioner District of Columbia	Account balance due First National Bank New York, on demand-note of July 29, 1874, interest.				12, 923 92	12, 923 92
9	8014 to 8115	General District employes	Pay of teachers and janitors of colored schools, October, 1874.				5, 853 62	5, 853 62
9	8116	Benjamin F. French	12 record books furnished physicians to the poor, October, 1874.				25 00	25 00
9	8117	W. G. Duckett	Medicines furnished the poor of the fifth district, from June 30 to July 31, 1874.				185 00	185 00
10	8118	L. W. Vale, superintendent Chronicle Publishing Co.	Advertising and printing for sundry District offices, from October 24 to November 6, 1874.				218 58	218 58
10	8119	W. W. Wirt	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.				8 83	8 83

10	8120	B. H. Bristow, Secretary of Treasury of United States.	Balance due the United States for advances made to pay interest on District bonds due July 1, 1874.	99,308 44	99,308 44
11	8121	George W. Cissell.....	Redemption of 24 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip, and interest.	598 90	598 90
11	8122	A. H. Herr.....	Erroneous payment of taxes on lot 41, old Georgetown, year ending June 30, 1874.	55 58	55 58
11	8123	John F. Cook, collector.....	Redemption of 4 tax-then certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.	148 38	148 38
11	8124	F. B. Winter.....	Medicines furnished the poor of the sixth district, July 1 to 31, 1874.	90 60	90 60
11	8125	R. Brace.....	Medicines furnished the poor of the fourth district, June 20 to 30, 1874.	125 25	125 25
11	8126	C. C. Carroll.....	Beef furnished Georgetown almshouse, September and October, 1874.	39 70	39 70
11	8127	Rob't Reyburn, surgeon, &c.....	Subsistence, medicines, and medical attendance to patients in Freedmen's Hospital, September and October, 1874.	287 00	287 00
11	8128	W. W. Knapley.....	Repairing stoves, grates, &c., District offices, Morison Buildings.	121 80	121 80
11	8129	H. I. Gregory.....	Pay for engineer's office District of Columbia, August, 1874.	1 50	1 50
11	8130	James O'Neal.....	Balance due for labor in water-registrar's office, October, 1874.	9 00	9 00
11	8131	William Ballantyne.....	1 index-book for auditor's office District of Columbia, July, 1874.	1 25	1 25
11	8132	John A. Selby.....	Account error in pay-roll of police department for October, 1874; also 2 days' services, October 23 and 24, 1874, allowed by police commissioners.	5 80	5 80
11	8133	Catharine M. Ward.....	Washing for fifth police-station, August, September, and October, 1874.	32 00	32 00
11	8134	Thos. B. Warriek, assignee.....	Redemption of 1 tax-then certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.	44 40	44 40
11	8135 to 8143	General District employés.....	Pay of physicians to the poor, September 16 to October 31, 1874.	405 00	405 00
11	8144	Charles B. Bailey, secretary Washington Gas-light Company.....	Lighting street-lamps, repairs, and erection of street-lamps, gas for District offices, fire department, &c., August, September, and October, 1874.	20,407 98	20,407 98
11	8145	Mary A. Francis.....	Washing for engineer's department, District of Columbia, October, 1874.	12 36	12 36
11	8146	S. H. Kauffman, president Evening Star Newspaper Co.....	Advertising for engineer's department, 1874.....	314 88	314 88
11	8147 to 8160	Sundry persons.....	Medicines furnished the poor, September 19 to October 31, 1874.	143 97	143 97
12	8161 to 8185	General District employés.....	Pay of laborers of board of public works for cleaning streets, June 20 to July 4, 1874.	282 37	282 37
12	8186 to 8205	.....do.....	Pay of garbage-masters District of Columbia, October, 1874.	1,296 00	1,296 00
12	8206	William F. Martin.....	Pay as clerk of election, October, 1873.....	5 00	5 00
12	8207	Watts & Co.....	4 coils of wire for fire department, October, 1874.....	49 99	49 99
12	8208	Ambrose Cook.....	Reparman fire-alarm telegraph, July and 3 days in August, 1874.	66 00	66 00
12	8209	Samuel Cross, agent.....	Insurance on public-school buildings, Washington, D.C. August, 1874.	663 40	663 90

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1874.								
Nov. 12	8210	Isaac S. Lyon.....	Redemption of 3 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip and interest.				\$136 20	\$136 20
12	8211	C. H. Nichols, superintendent	Board, clothing, and medical treatment of 17 patients at Government Hospital for Insane, June 20 to September 30, 1874.				1, 456 77	1, 456 77
12	8212	William Ballantyne.....	Books and stationery furnished the colored schools of Washington and Georgetown.				463 82	463 82
12	8213	Samuel S. Hunt.....	Sixth installment under contract for the erection of public-school building in Georgetown, D. C.				270 00	270 00
12	8214 to 8218	Albert McIntosh, contractor	Pay of laborers.	\$84 95				84 95
12	8219 to 8222	James A. Nelson, contractor	Redemption of 5 tax-licen certificates, Washington and	252 30				252 30
14	8229	E. McE. Timoney & Co.....	Washington County, levy 1872-73.				155 24	155 24
14	8230	William Ballantyne.....	Books and stationery furnished white public schools, Washington, Georgetown, and County, D. C.				1, 407 52	1, 407 52
14	8231	John W. Carr.....	Glazing done at public-school buildings, Washington.				137 84	137 84
14	8232	Ann Thomas.....	Washing for six hundred post-cards, October, 1874.				6 00	6 00
14	8233	William L. Bramhall.....	Redemption of 8 tax-licen certificates, Washington, levies 1871-72, and 1873.				136 70	136 70
14	8234	C. A. Fleetwood, agent.....	Redemption of 7 tax-licen certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.				53 96	53 96
14	8235	J. Van Riewick, Great Falls Ice Company.....	Ice furnished District offices, Morrison Buildings, from June 22 to November 12, 1874.				10 80	10 80
14	8236	H. R. Gregory.....	Scrip for Washington and Georgetown.....				59 88	59 88
14	8237	A. R. Shepherd & Co.....	Repairs to public-school building Nineteenth and H streets, Washington, D. C.				95 10	95 10
14	8238	James Hudson.....	Glazing at Wallach and Cranch public-school buildings, Washington, D. C.				27 59	27 59
14	8239	W. Koch, Daily Washington Journal.....	Advertising for collector's and engineer's offices, District of Columbia.				178 00	178 00
14	8240	J. W. Boteler & Bro.....	Supplies furnished engineer's department, District of Columbia.				34 08	34 08
14	8241	S. S. Howison, president Totomac Ferry Company.	Rent of ground, square 473, for District of Columbia.				25 00	25 00

14	8242	Hinguely & Bowen	Livery of horse for coroner District of Columbia, August, 1874.	25 00	25 00
14	8243	H. R. Miles	Disbursements, repairs on account of tornado July 4, 1874, fire department.	112 50	112 50
14	8244	Griffith Owens	Services repairing telegraph lines fire department, twenty-five days, 1874.	75 00	75 00
14	8245	Thomas J. Shea	Acknowledging deed at residence Mrs. Gales, county, October, 1874.	3 00	3 00
14	8246	James N. Tally	Services as clerk of election, October, 1873	5 00	5 00
41	8247	R. H. Graham	Supplies furnished engineer's department District of Columbia, October, 1874.	26 02	26 02
14	8248	James H. Trimble	Material (from bar) furnished Columbia Billings.	6 00	6 00
14	8249	Benjamin R. Howell	Services posting books of comptroller and preparing statements for commissioners of District of Columbia, from September 8 to October 13, 1874.	100 00	100 00
14	8250	John Barry	Repairs to Seaton school-building, October, 1874	69 49	69 49
14	8251	Richard Fitzmorris	Removing stone from canal-yard to Sixth-street wharf, and work and material at Sixth-street wharf.	169 75	169 75
14	8252	R. Beresford	Printing for auditor's office District of Columbia.	33 50	33 50
14	8253	R. B. Gill	Clerk comptroller's office, April 1, 1874, to June 30, 1874.	366 67	366 67
14	8254 to 8259	Sundry persons	Pay of sundry clerks of election, October, 1873	30 00	30 00
16	8260 to 8263	General District employees	Pay of janitors Georgetown public schools, July 1 to August 31, 1874.	40 00	40 00
16	8264 to 8263	Thomas Betts, contractor	Pay of laborers	1,986 38	1,986 38
16	8264 to 8265	M. J. Laughlin, contractor	Furniture for public schools, Washington and County of Washington.	4,032 50	4,032 50
16	8366	Warren Choate & Co.	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.	1,072 06	1,072 06
17	8367	William H. Slater	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.	29 44	29 44
17	8368	John F. Cook, collector	Redemption of 5 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.	61 51	61 51
17	8369	Jacob A. Schindell	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1871-72.	4 36	4 36
17	8370	N. B. Fugitt	Lumber furnished engineer's department, October 6 and 23, 1874.	297 30	297 30
17	8371	John A. Baker	Sundry material furnished engineer's department District of Columbia, 1874.	167 72	167 72
17	8372	Evans Brothers & Co.	Lumber furnished engineer's department District of Columbia, 1874.	26 08	26 08
17	8373	R. Cunit, Jr.	Livery of horse for surveyor's office, October, 1874	28 00	28 00
17	8374	F. W. Hayden	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington County, levy 1872-73.	1 13	1 13
17	8375	A. R. Shepherd & Co.	1 double force action pump for Washington Asylum.	50 00	50 00
17	8376	Gilmer, Meredith & Co.	35 tons of coal, high-service pump Georgetown, water department.	171 50	171 50
17	8377	Z. D. Gilman	Paints, oils, and brushes for water department of District of Columbia.	32 45	32 45
17	8378	E. W. Knowles	Hauling for Washington public schools, September, 1874.	90 70	90 70
17	8379	Thomas H. Dutton	Carpenters' work, Washington public schools	50 33	50 33
17	8380	Jefferson Keadley	Cleaning cesspools Washington County school-house, September, 1874.	3 00	3 00

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Date of issue.	No. of warrant.	To whom issued.	For what purpose issued.	Act of Congress June 23, 1874, payment of lab. voters.	Act of Congress June 23, 1874, payment of officers and employees, and for other purposes.	Act of Congress June 22, 1874, deficiencies in the department.	Taxes and revenues.	Total.
1874.								
Nov. 17	8351	George Z. Colson.....	Carpenters' work Jefferson school-building, July, 1874				\$42 00	\$42 00
17	8352	Lena Dale	Services trimming and folding bonds, October 13 to November 13, 1874.				47 25	47 25
17	8353	Gibson Brothers	Printing blanks for board of audit District of Columbia				102 50	102 50
17	8354	Jame T. Harbin.....	2 days' services as temporary clerk, auditor's office, District of Columbia.				2 00	2 00
17	8355	A. B. Delver	2 days' services as temporary clerk auditor's office, District of Columbia.				2 00	2 00
17	8356	William Hawkins.....	Washing for eighth precinct police-station, Aug. 1874.				9 70	9 70
17	8357	Jos. L. Savage.....	Supplies furnished colored schools Washington and Georgetown.				155 60	155 60
17	8358	Warren Cloutte & Co.....	Books and stationery furnished colored schools Washington and Georgetown.				126 68	126 68
17	8359	W. W. Farr.....	Repair of clocks, colored schools.				72 00	72 00
17	8360	McGill & Witherow.....	Printing for Washington and Washington County schools.				1,052 76	1,052 76
17	8361	William Tindall	Sundry contingent expenses commissioner's office District of Columbia.				30 00	30 00
17	8362	M. J. Laughlin, contractor.....	Pay R. L. Herrick, contractors' laborers.....	\$24 30				24 30
17	8363	William Bishop.....	Pay as clerk of election, October, 1873.		\$5 00			5 00
17	8364	Canceled.....						
17	8365	Robert Boyd.....						
17	8366	E. G. Wheeler.....	Supplies furnished water department, July 2 to August 16, 1874.				1,410 78	1,410 78
17	8367	Henry M. Baker	Shovels and picks furnished Washington Asylum, November, 1874.				29 80	29 80
17	8368	P. P. Little.....	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.				32 38	32 38
17	8369	John E. Cook, collector.....	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73.				26 41	26 41
17	8400	Eugene Shugrue.....	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73.				28 64	28 64
17	8401 to 8407	Pay of sundry superintendents of election, October, 1873	Refunding taxes erroneously paid year end, June 30, 74		35 00		14 50	14 50
17	8408 to 8415	Jos. Fletcher, contractor.....	Pay of laborers	801 25			35 00	801 25
17	8416 to 8432	Martin F. Reese, contractor.....	Pay of laborers	313 82			313 82	313 82

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17	8433 & 8434	J. H. Ketchum, commissioner	Payment of interest on District of Columbia bonds, July 1, 1874 (coin)	8,149 50	8,149 50
17	8435 & 8436	.....do.....	Payment of interest on District of Columbia bonds, July 1, 1874 (currency)	2,236 36	.....	2,236 36
18	8437	Henry Lancaster	Stowing away wood and coal, surveyor's office, November, 1874	4 70	.....	4 70
18	8438	John H. Mitchell	Horse-shoeing and blacksmithing, engineer's department, November, 1874	12 95	.....	12 95
18	8439	John C. Parker	Stationery collector's office, September and October, 1874	47 25	.....	47 25
18	8440	H. I. Gregory	Repairing stoves, &c., metropolitan police-stations, October, 1874	32 85	.....	32 85
18	8441	A. R. Shepherd & Co.	Repairs at eighth precinct police-station, October, 1874	57 20	.....	57 20
18	8442	Henry White	Washing, second precinct police-station, September and October, 1874	7 00	.....	7 00
18	8443	N. Du Bois	Redemption of 1 tax-lien certificate, Washington, levy 1872-73	53 26	.....	53 26
19	8444	J. McDermott & Brothers	Repairs to chief engineer's wagon, and engine No. 1, fire department	477 40	.....	477 40
19	8445	J. H. Bushnell	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73	648 55	.....	648 55
19	8446	Samuel S. Hunt	Building frame school-house on conduit road, (county)	1,275 00	.....	1,275 00
19	8447	John F. Cook, collector	Redemption of 6 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levies 1871-72 and 1872-73	194 32	.....	194 32
20	8448	Jos. L. Savage	Supplies furnished Washington, Georgetown, and county schools, September and October, 1874	339 60	.....	339 60
20	8449	S. S. Hunt	Payment of seventh installment Georgetown school-building	250 00	.....	250 00
21	8450	Moses Kelly, commissioner sinking fund	Requisition of commissioners District of Columbia, payment of interest on five-year bonds late corporation of Washington	7,024 42	.....	7,024 42
21	8451 to 8456	M. J. Laughlin, contractor	Pay of laborers	139 50	.....	139 50
21	8457 to 8459	.....do.....	.....do.....	43 50	.....	43 50
21	8460	Otis F. Presbury, treasurer	Rent of east and west parlors First Congregational Church, for public schools, September 15 to October 31, 1874	145 87	.....	145 87
21	8461	Theo. Sheekels	Redemption of 35 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip, and interest	1,070 49	.....	1,070 49
21	8462	George W. Cissell	Redemption of 8 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip, and interest	145 29	.....	145 29
21	8463	John C. Harkness	Redemption of 1 piece Washington City special-tax scrip, and interest	27 23	.....	27 23
21	8464	James G. Naylor	Redemption of 2 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73	134 61	.....	134 61
21	8465	E. Morrison	Redemption of 6 tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1872-73	152 85	.....	152 85
21	8466	John Van Riewick	Redemption of 3 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip, and interest	59 47	.....	59 47
21	8467	William McGintre	Refunding erroneously paid taxes, subdivision lot 1, square 431, year ending June 30, 1874	29 10	.....	29 10
21	8468	John Van Riewick	Refunding erroneously paid taxes, lot 17, square 435, year ending June 30, 1875	11 88	11 88

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				Act of Congress June 23, 1874, payment of laborers.	Act of Congress June 23, 1874, payment of officers and employees, and for other purposes.	Act of Congress June 22, 1874, deficiencies in fire department.	Taxes and revenues.	
1874. Nov. 21	8469	Z. W. Donham, jr.	Services as clerk to commissioners sinking fund, July 8 to October 31, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	\$301 34	\$301 34
21	8470	William L. Dumbop, executor	Rent of play-ground, Washington public schools.	.....	.....	.....	176 32	176 32
21	8471	Conrad Schaefer	Rent of Saint John's German Lutheran Evangelical church, Washington, September 11 to October 11, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	20 00	20 00
21	8472	G. M. Wight	One high stool for comptroller's office.	.....	.....	.....	9 50	9 50
21	8473	F. Gregory	Supplies furnished Washington and Georgetown fire departments.	.....	.....	.....	68 70	68 70
21	8474	J. B. McKay	Veterinary services, fire department, July 1 to September 27, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	94 00	94 00
21	8475	B. W. Reed & Sons	Supplies furnished fire department District of Columbia, November, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	102 48	102 48
21	8476	John A. Graham, assignee of E. F. M. Filnetz.	Clerical services, office District assessors, from October 15, 1874 to February 3, 1873; also in office superintendent, assessments and taxes, from April 9 to May 31, 1873.	.....	\$540 00	.....	.....	540 00
21	8477 to 8531	E. E. Barnes, contractor	Pay of laborers.	\$2,430 90	.....	.....	.....	2,430 90
21	8532	George H. Newhall	Night-work, first precinct police-station, February 3, 1873 to July 2, 1873.	.....	46 00	.....	.....	46 00
23	8533	A. M. Gangewer, president Industrial Home School, Georgetown.	Industrial Home School, Georgetown, balance of appropriation.	.....	.....	.....	200 00	200 00
24	8534 to 8541	Commissioners District of Columbia.	Pay of commissioners District of Columbia, and employees, November, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	1,759 98	1,759 98
24	8542 to 8543	General District employees.	Pay of treasurer District of Columbia, and employees, November, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	200 00	200 00
24	8544 to 8549	do	Pay of deputy comptroller District of Columbia, and employees, November 1874.	.....	.....	.....	513 34	513 34
24	8550 to 8554	do	Pay of superintendent of assessments District of Columbia, and employees, November 1874.	.....	.....	.....	560 00	560 00
24	8556 to 8560	do	Pay of assessors District of Columbia, November, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	359 96	359 96
24	8561 to 8569	do	Pay of collector and employees, November, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	1,033 33	1,033 33
24	8570 to 8574	do	Pay of water-registrar and employees, November, 1874.	.....	.....	.....	503 60	503 60
24	8575 to 8579	do	Pay of attorney District of Columbia, and employees, November, 1874.	420 00	420 00

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24	5580 to 8588do.....	Pay of comptroller and employe's, November, 1874.....	918 66	918 66
24	5589 to 8678	.....do.....	Pay of engineer's department District of Columbia, November 1874.....	7, 420 39	7, 420 39
24	8679	J. Hanson Thomas.....	Erroneous payment of taxes, lot 8, square 57, year ending June 30, 1875.....	15 15	15 15
24	8680	John W. Carr.....	Tracing, before and after glazing, public-school buildings.....	5 00	5 00
24	8681	J. M. Brodhead.....	Pay as member board of audit District of Columbia.....	500 00	500 00
24	8682	R. W. Taylor.....	do.....	500 00	500 00
24	8683	John Laych.....	Horseshoeing for fire department, Georgetown, D. C.....	8 00	8 00
24	8684	J. G. & J. M. Waters.....	Supplies furnished engine No. 5, Georgetown, D. C.....	24 03	24 03
24	8685	William E. Todd.....	Redemption of 6 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip, and interest.....	198 80	198 80
24	8686	W. H. & O. H. Morrison.....	Law-books furnished attorney's office, District of Columbia, November, 1874.....	63 00	63 00
24	8687	William Birney, assistant attorney District Columbia, General District employes.....	Judgment, costs, and interest in suits against District of Columbia.....	4, 651 30	4, 651 30
24	8688 to 8732 and 8737.....	.....do.....	Pay of employes board of audit District of Columbia, November, 1874.....	5, 623 25	5, 623 25
24	8733 to 8736	.....do.....	Pay of employes auditor's office District of Columbia, November, 1874.....	500 00	500 00
25	8738 to 8744	M. F. Reese, contractor.....	Pay of laborers.....	55 93	55 93
27	8745	J. W. Dick, assignee.....	Redemption of Washington City special-tax scrip, and interest.....	212 00	212 00
27	8746	B. F. Tilley.....	Redemption of 6 pieces Washington City special-tax scrip, and interest.....	60 36	60 36
27	8747	W. Dickson.....	Redemption of tax-lion certificates, Washington.....	58 22	58 22
27	8748	John F. Cook, collector.....	Redemption of 12 tax-lion certificates, Washington and county of Washington.....	299 51	299 51
27	8749	Conrad Kaufman.....	Repair of street-lamps, Georgetown, D. C.....	43 43	43 43
27	8750 to 8888 and 8893 to 8904.	General District employes.....	Pay of teachers public schools, Washington, month of November, 1874.....	9, 495 66	9, 495 66
27	8889	S. McFarland.....	Hire of horse and cart, Northern market, September, 1874.....	66	24 66
27	8890	T. W. Jaycox.....	Services as leveler, September 29 and 30, and October, 1874.....	26 08	26 08
27	8891	D. C. Patterson.....	Services as coroner District Columbia, November, 1874.....	133 33	133 33
27	8892	Warren Choate & Co.....	Stationery furnished engineer's office and Washington and Georgetown public schools.....	1, 020 86	1, 020 86
27	8905 to 8936	General District employes.....	Pay of teachers public schools, county, November, 1874.....	2, 040 72	2, 040 72
27	8937 to 8952	.....do.....	Pay of teachers Georgetown schools, November, 1874.....	1, 016 39	1, 016 39
27	8953	George E. Baker.....	Redemption of Pennsylvania avenue paving scrip.....	685 48	685 48
27	8954	Ezekiel Griffin.....	Services as watchman, Northern market, December, 1873.....	40 00	40 00
27	8955	John C. Parker.....	Stationery furnished office of superintendent of assessments and taxes.....	11 00	11 00
27	8956	Thomas Geary.....	Livery of horses for office of commissioners, and engineer's office, District of Columbia.....	40 00	40 00
27	8957	Charles B. Bailey.....	Gas furnished white and colored schools, Washington, October, 1874.....	87 50	87 50

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1874							\$30 06	\$30 06
Nov. 27	8963	G. Crandell	Books furnished colored schools, Georgetown, November, 1874.				2,360 00	2,360 00
27	8959	S. H. Kaufman, president Evening Star Newspaper Company.	Advertising tax-lien certificate sale, November, 1874.					
27	8960	Henry Hoyt	Pay as special policeman in charge of chain-gang, November, 1874.				30 00	30 00
27	8961	R. Gault	Pay as draughtsman, engineer's office, November, 1874.				80 00	80 00
27	8962	Samuel S. Hunt	Eighth installment on account of erection of school-building, Georgetown.				250 00	250 00
27	8963	William D. Baldwin	Redemption of property sold for taxes, Washington.				101 81	101 81
27	8964	William L. Brauball & Co.	Redemption of subdivision of lot 4 and improvements, square 124, Washington.				67 17	67 17
27	8965 to 9006	General District employees	Pay of superintendent, teachers, and janitors Washington public schools, November, 1874.				1,240 34	1,240 34
27	9007 to 9012	do	Pay of janitors Georgetown public schools, November, 1874.				36 00	36 00
27	9013 to 9031	do	Pay of janitors county schools, November, 1874.				133 00	133 00
27	9032 to 9133	do	Pay of superintendent teachers, and janitors of colored schools, November, 1874.				5,854 26	5,854 26
25	9134	Henry C. Stephens	Repair of school buildings, Washington, D. C.				20 60	20 60
25	9135	John Marlincy, jr., treasurer	Contingent expenses board of health.				2,685 00	2,685 00
22	9136	J. M. Van Burskirk, treasurer	Printing and preparing bonds, District of Columbia.				11,300 00	11,300 00
25		Columbia Bank Note Company.						
25	9137	S. McFarland	Laborer, horse, and cart, Northern Market, February, 1873, to June, 1874.	\$730 36				730 36
25	9138	White & Brother	Man-hole tops and grates for engineer's department District of Columbia.				104 00	104 00
25	9139	John C. Parker	Stationery, &c., furnished engineer's office.				32 75	32 75
25	9140	John F. Cook	Redemption of tax-lien certificates, Washington, 1872-73.				17 64	17 64
25	9141 to 9142	Thomas S. Hopkins	Examining the land-records District of Columbia for the assistant attorney District of Columbia.				95 00	95 00
30	9143 to 9151	General District employees	Pay of employees Washington Asylum, November, 1874.				322 50	322 50
30	9152 to 9414	do	Pay of metropolitan police, November, 1874.				10,503 16	10,503 16

30	9415	F. E. Spinner, Treasurer United States.	Expressage on District bonds and coupons from New York.			335 25	335 25
30	9416	T. M. Ploeman	Livery of horse for engineer's office, November, 1874.			25 00	25 00
30	9417	Moses Kelly, treasurer com- missioners sinking fund.	Redemption of water-stock bonds, late corporation of Washington.			5,838 86	5,838 86
30	9418 to 9489	General District employees	Pay of the fire department, November, 1874.			4,543 17	4,543 17
30	9490 to 9491	Canceled.					
30	9492	William A. Beaman	Services as clerk to board of audit from November 22 to November 30, 1874.			39 99	39 99
30	9493	M. Shiner, contractor	Pay of S. R. Henry, laborer	\$87 50		37 50	37 50
30	9494	A. R. Shepherd	Rent of lot for public schools, quarter ending Novem- ber 30, 1874.	75 00		75 00	75 00
30	9495	William D. Butler	Services as laborer, board of audit, from November 17 to November 30, 1874.	5 60		5 60	5 60
30	9496	Canceled.	Pay of laborers	1,157 62			1,157 62
30	9497 to 9510	G. W. Summy, contractor	Pay of George Ernest, contractor's laborers			187 00	187 00
30	9511	Canceled.	Redemption of four pieces Washington City special- tax scrip, and interest	50 92		50 92	50 92
30	9512	Geo. W. Goodall, contractor	Copies real-estate directory furnished District offices.			696 50	696 50
30	9513	Nathan Sargent, president.	Support of inmates Reform-School District of Colum- bia, November, 1874.			1,108 50	1,108 50
30	9514	Faeltz & Pratt	Redemption of two tax-lien certificates, Washington, levy 1871-72.			127 53	127 53
30	9515	D. O'C. Callaghan	Pay of laborers	1,939 75		1,939 75	1,939 75
30	9516	J. E. Gregg's, contractor	Lighting street lamps, gas for District offices, metro- politan police, and fire department, &c.			10,463 16	10,463 16
36	9517 to 9575	C. B. Bailey, secretary Wash- ington Gas-light Company.					
30	9576						
			Total amount	50,618 43	1,333,802 59	\$34,291 17	1,498,617 01
							2,917,929 20

FITZHUGH COYLE,
Comptroller District of Columbia.

OFFICE COMPTROLLER DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, December 1, 1874.

We certify that the foregoing is a true and detailed statement of all disbursements by the government of the District of Columbia from June 20, 1874, to December 1, 1874.

We further certify that no money was drawn from the Treasury of the United States except upon a separate warrant for the amount, drawn to the order of the person to be paid, stating the account on which to be paid, signed by the accounting officers of the District after audit of the respective accounts by them, and countersigned by one of the commissioners of the District after careful examination by us of the respective accounts and approval by us of the same as just and due to the respective claimants according to our belief.

W. DENNISON,
HENRY T. BLOW,
J. H. KETCHAM,
Commissioners District of Columbia.

DECEMBER 5, 1874.

APPENDIX E.—Classified statement of expenditures of the government of the District of Columbia, showing the cost of each office or department from July 1 to December 31, 1874.

Office, department, or title of account.	Salaries.	General contingencies.	Books and stationery.	Printing.	Advertising.	Fuel.	Furniture.	Repairs.	Insurance.	Erecting buildings.	Public charities and corrections.	Miscellaneous.	Total expenditure for each office or purpose.	Aggregate expenditure for each locality and on all accounts.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.														
Commissioner's office.	\$2,225 43	\$205 49	\$326 84	\$100 50	\$143 00								\$9,601 26	.....
Auditor's office.	2,193 42	8 35	45 25	65 50									2,312 62	.....
Attorney's office.	2,028 74	208 00	270 50	30 00	6 00								2,543 24	.....
Assessment office.	2,903 72	2 40	175 50										3,172 02	.....
Board of audit.	23,925 83	163 52	597 07	753 00	599 62								26,105 04	.....
Board of health.	4,899 50	488 75	623 40	50 00	70 00								6,131 65	.....
Collector's office.	4,899 50	488 75	623 40	50 00	70 00								6,131 65	.....
Comptroller's office.	5,293 57	84 70	156 20	24 00			\$27 50						5,585 67	.....
Coroner's office.	516 66	50 00	26 75										593 41	.....
Commissioners sinking fund.	201 34	47 95											348 50	.....
Deputy comptroller's office.	2,079 37	5 25	12 73	20 00	185 00								2,362 35	.....
Engineer's department.	46,866 50	2,639 54	670 50	273 50	1,231 61	\$20 31							51,467 55	.....
Inspectors and weighers of coal.	37 34												37 34	.....
Scalers of weights and measures.	20 00												20 00	.....
Treasurer's office.	1,300 00	25 95											1,325 95	.....
Register of wills.		55 00											55 00	.....
Surveyor's office.		102 00			67 52								169 52	.....
Board of health.		14,142 89											14,142 89	.....
Property yards.													137 10	.....
General District officers.		410 95	743 55		\$137 10				\$198 50				13,207 75	.....
Improvements and repairs.					2,673 39								6,768 39	.....
Cleaning and watering streets.					8,258 91	862 45						\$6,768 39		.....
Expenses condemning alleys.												1,312 50	1,312 50	.....
Expenses of sale of hay-scales.												32 21	32 21	.....
Judicial expenses.												4 17	4 17	.....
Printing bonds.				11,300 00								211 40	211 40	.....
Expressage on bonds.												335 25	335 25	.....
Interest on bonds.												308,549 03	308,549 03
Re-imburse United States for advances, &c.												237,132 72	237,132 72

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APPENDIX F.—Statement of appropriations made by Congress under acts approved June 22 and 23, 1874, showing expenditures and balances remaining on hand December 1, 1874.

Number of warrant.	On what account.	Amounts.		Aggregates.	
	Appropriation by act of Congress approved June 23, 1874, for payment of interest, employes, &c.				\$1,225,000 00
	Disbursed as follows:				
	Paid officers and employes District of Columbia.	\$297,652 14			
	Paid officers and employes late board of public works.	282,218 05			
	Paid officers and employes water department.	32,787 35			
	Amount audited not yet paid.....	50			
			\$612,658 04		
	On account temporary loans:				
279	First National Bank New York, District of Columbia.	118,303 25			
280	W. A. Cowdrey, New York, board of public works, commissioners of sinking-fund.	52,005 04			
282	Page & Fletcher, New York, board of public works.	7,980 52			
406	Morton, Bliss & Co., New York, board of public works.	236,005 72			
415	Washington City Savings-Bank, commissioners of sinking-fund.	31,239 77			
417	Charles A. James, cashier Bank of Washington, commissioners of sinking-fund.	29,533 33			
647	George H. B. White, cashier National Metropolitan Bank, board of public works.	18,167 41			
			484,235 04		
	On account of interest:				
412	Commissioners District Columbia.	121,369 50			
413	Commissioners District Columbia.	54,505 35			
4519	Commissioners District Columbia.	24,981 00			
4520	Commissioners District Columbia.	8,132 79			
8433 }	Commissioners District Columbia.	8,149 50			
8434 }					
8435 }	Commissioners District Columbia.	2,236 36			
8436 }					
4421	M. Kelly, treasurer commissioners of sinking-fund.	17,758 22			
			237,132 72		
	Total.....		1,334,025 80		
	Refunded from taxes and revenue....	79,038 75			
	As reported by treasurer District of Columbia.	29,987 05			
			109,025 80		
				\$1,225,000 00	
	Appropriation by act of Congress approved June 23, 1874, as above, for payment of contractors, laborers, &c.				75,000 00
	Amount paid contractors and laborers.	50,618 43			
	Balance to credit of appropriation....	24,381 57	24,381 57		
				75,000 00	
	Appropriation by act of Congress approved June 22, 1874, for payment of fire department, &c.				34,291 66
	Amount expended.....		34,291 17		
	Balance to credit of fund.....	49	49		
				34,291 66	
	Total.....			1,334,291 66	1,334,291 66

OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,

Washington, December 1, 1874.

FITZHUGH COYLE, Comptroller

APPENDIX G.—*Classified statement of the receipts and expenditures of the government of the District of Columbia, under the commissioners appointed by act of Congress approved June 20, 1874, from July 1, 1874, to December 1, 1874.*

Ledger page.	Title of account.	Aggregates.		Balances.	
		Expenditures.	Receipts.	Debit.	Credit.
	<i>Late government District of Columbia.</i>				
185	Cash balance		\$45,372 93		\$45,372 93
185	Bonds deposited with Treasurer United States.....		932,000 00		932,000 00
231	Congressional appropriation, act of June 23, 1874.....	\$237,132 72	1,300,000 00		1,062,867 28
228	Congressional appropriation, act of June 22, 1874.....	34,291 17	34,291 66		49
141	District of Columbia 3.65 bonds issued.....		2,250,000 00		2,250,000 00
134	Bonds received from George E. Baker, late comptroller.....		157,600 00		157,600 00
136	James A. Magruder, late treasurer board of public works.....	2,891 99	86,017 34		83,125 35
278	Board of public works payment temporary loans.....	262,153 65	727 75	\$261,425 90	
164	Late government District of Columbia paid on account judgments.....	10,135 57		10,135 57	
182	Temporary-loan account.....	435,582 52		435,582 52	
226	United States Government account bonds deposited.....	932,000 00		932,000 00	
138	F. Coyle, comptroller, miscellaneous account.....	243,617 34	5,117 34	238,500 00	
20	Licenses, amount collected		85,408 58		85,408 58
26	Judicial fund, collected from fines police court.....		6,060 51		6,060 51
18	District hay-scale fund		2,125 67		2,125 67
233	Pay officers and employes District of Columbia, act of June 23, 1874.....	612,637 54		612,637 54	
228	Pay of contractors' laborers, act of June 23, 1874.....	50,618 43		50,618 43	
148	Interest account temporary loans, levy-court, Washington.....	5,272 65		5,272 65	
184	Interest account on District of Columbia bonds owned.....		27,677 48		27,677 48
28	Advertising tax-sales, October, 1872, amount collected.....		347 75		347 75
32	Advertising tax-sales, October, 1874, amount collected.....		314 50		314 50
34	Advertising tax-sales, November, 1874	2,360 00		2,360 00	
38	By register, 1871, amount collected		6 75		6 75
36	Pennsylvania avenue tax-scrip	655 48	655 48		
30	Permit-fees engineer's office.....		532 70		532 70
120	Redemption fund, sale tax-scrip.....	197 49	168 98	28 51	
234	Poor-fund, Washington Market Company.....	1,943 77	3,257 44		1,313 67
250	Water-fund	19,546 25	23,441 37		3,895 12
254	Water-fund, arrears taxes, advertising	234 30	1,003 63		769 33
238	W. L. Cowan, late treasurer Washington public schools.....		2,615 49		2,615 40
	<i>Redemption tax liens.</i>				
270	Issued for arrears taxes fiscal year June 30, 1872.....	6,890 91	6,881 72	9 19	
275	Issued for arrears taxes fiscal year June 30, 1873.....	13,718 27	23,936 11		10,217 84
	<i>Refunding general taxes.</i>				
368	Refunding general taxes Washington, levy 1871-72.....	4 25		4 25	
369	Refunding general taxes Washington, levy 1872-73.....	1,183 58		1,183 58	
370	Refunding general taxes Washington, levy 1873-74.....	971 46		971 46	
371	Refunding general taxes Washington, levy 1874-75.....	406 42		406 42	
468	Refunding general taxes Georgetown, levy 1871-72.....	1 37		1 37	
469	Refunding general taxes Georgetown, levy 1872-73.....	20 42		20 42	
470	Refunding general taxes Georgetown, levy 1873-74.....	64 77		64 77	

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APPENDIX G.—*Classified statement of the receipts and expenditures, &c.*—Continued.

Ledger page.	Title of account.	Aggregates.		Balances.	
		Expenditures.	Receipts.	Debit.	Credit.
	<i>Refunding general taxes—Continued.</i>				
471	Refunding general taxes Georgetown, levy 1874-'75.	\$2 40	.....	\$2 40	.....
570	Refunding general taxes county, levy 1873-'74.	19 68	.....	19 68	.....
	<i>General District fund.</i>				
2	Salaries of officers and employes and contingencies.	180,972 84	\$1,490 17	179,482 67	.....
	<i>General District fund.</i>				
300	Washington re-imbursement fund.....		282,432 63		282,432 63
400	Georgetown re-imbursement fund.....		17,787 87		17,787 87
500	County re-imbursement fund.....		16,125 74		16,125 74
200	Washington special-tax fund.....	28,222 15	19,926 12	8,296 03	
310	Washington general fund, 1874-'75.....	29,452 87	190,642 03		161,189 16
318	Washington general fund, 1873-'74.....		42,657 08		42,657 08
410	Georgetown general fund, levy 1874-'75.....	6,208 22	10,672 73		4,464 51
418	Georgetown general fund, levy 1873-'74.....		4,163 23		4,163 23
510	County general fund, levy 1874-'75.....	80 00	9,491 73		9,411 73
518	County general fund, levy 1873-'74.....		4,410 21		4,410 21
320	Washington school contingent-fund, levy 1874-'75.....	19,517 72	35,269 87		35,752 15
324	Washington school contingent-fund, levy 1873-'74.....		14,475 77		14,475 77
326	Washington school-teachers' fund, levy 1874-'75.....	29,955 15	84,729 79		54,774 64
328	Washington school-teachers' fund, levy 1873-'74.....		16,806 09		16,806 09
420	Georgetown school-fund, levy 1874-'75.....	4,237 69	6,768 20		2,530 51
424	Georgetown school-fund, levy 1873-'74.....		2,602 02		2,602 02
426	Georgetown school-building fund, levy 1874-'75.....	2,000 00	4,002 29		2,002 29
428	Georgetown school-building fund, levy 1873-'74.....		1,561 20		1,561 20
520	County school-fund, levy 1873-'74.....		7,113 25		7,113 25
528	County school-fund, levy 1874-'75.....		16,133 53		7,483 42
330	Washington police-fund, levy 1874-'75.....	8,650 11	50,837 87		4,664 75
338	Washington police-fund, levy 1873-'74.....	46,173 12	11,375 52		11,375 22
430	Georgetown police-fund, levy 1874-'75.....		4,535 90		
438	Georgetown police-fund, levy 1873-'74.....	5,554 35	1,769 37	1,018 45	
530	County police-fund, levy 1874-'75.....	3,171 50	3,674 92		1,769 37
538	County police-fund, levy 1873-'74.....		1,707 18		502 72
340	Washington gas-fund, levy 1874-'75.....	50,967 66	63,547 35		1,707 18
348	Washington gas-fund, levy 1873-'74.....		14,219 02		12,579 69
440	Georgetown gas-fund, levy 1874-'75.....		4,535 90		14,219 02
448	Georgetown gas-fund, levy 1873-'74.....	4,380 84			155 06
240	} Washington and Georgetown colored schools.....		1,769 37		1,769 37
244					
422		22,247 37	.....	22,247 27	.....
	<i>Commissioners sinking-fund.</i>				
302	Amount 3.65-bonds delivered.....	2,250,000 00		2,250,000 00	.....
277	Payment July, 1874, interest.....	237,132 72		237,132 72	.....
279	Temporary loans account.....	398,133 30		398,133 30	.....
183	Interest temporary loan, levy city Washington.....	47,138 21		47,138 21	.....
186	Interest temporary loan, levy city Washington.....	4,556 20	810 02	3,746 18	.....
380	Interest District Columbia bonds, Washington levy, 1873-'74.....	25,000 00	30,333 92		5,333 92
281	Interest District Columbia bonds, Washington levy, 1874-'75.....	46,416 31	135,567 66		89,151 35
283	Interest District Columbia bonds, Georgetown levy, 1873-'74.....		3,330 58		3,330 58
283	Interest District Columbia bonds, Georgetown levy, 1874-'75.....		8,538 18		8,538 18
284	Interest District Columbia bonds, county levy, 1873-'74.....		5,690 59		5,690 59
285	Interest District Columbia bonds, county levy, 1874-'75.....		12,247 39		12,247 39
286	Interest water-bonds, Washington levy, 1873-'74.....		3,791 74		3,791 74

APPENDIX G.—*Classified statement of the receipts and expenditures, &c.*—Continued.

Ledger page.	Title of account.	Aggregates.		Balances.	
		Expenditures.	Receipts.	Debits.	Credit.
	<i>Commissioners sinking fund—Cont'd.</i>				
287	Interest water-bonds, Washington levy, 1874-75.	.....	\$16,945 96	.....	\$16,945 96
288	Interest water-bonds, Georgetown levy, 1873-74.	.....	416 32	.....	416 32
289	Interest water-bonds, Georgetown levy, 1874-75.	.....	1,067 28	.....	1,067 28
290	Interest levy-court bonds, Washington, levy 1873-74.	.....	32,229 79	.....	32,229 79
291	Interest levy-court bonds, Washington, levy 1874-75.	\$19,447 26	144,040 64	.....	124,593 38
392	Interest levy-court bonds, Georgetown, levy 1873-74.	.....	2,602 02	.....	2,602 02
293	Interest levy-court bonds, Georgetown, levy 1874-75.	3,875 34	6,670 46	.....	2,795 12
294	Sinking-fund District of Columbia bonds, Washington, levy 1873-74.	.....	23,698 38	.....	23,698 38
295	Sinking-fund District of Columbia bonds, Washington, levy 1874-75.	.....	105,912 24	.....	105,912 24
296	Sinking-fund District of Columbia bonds, Georgetown, levy 1873-74.	.....	2,602 02	.....	2,602 02
297	Sinking-fund District of Columbia bonds, Georgetown, levy 1874-75.	.....	6,670 46	.....	6,670 46
298	Sinking-fund District of Columbia bonds, county, levy 1873-74.	.....	3,556 63	.....	3,556 63
299	Sinking-fund District of Columbia bonds, county, levy 1874-75.	.....	7,654 61	.....	7,654 61
600	Arrears taxes levy-court, Washington ...	5,838 86	5,651 42	\$187 44	.....
602	Arrears 10-year-bond tax .....	.....	404 61	.....	404 61
604	Arrears canal-fund .....	.....	340 93	.....	340 93
650	Arrears taxes, levy-court .....	.....	93 07	.....	93 07
	<i>Market-funds.</i>				
360	Northern Market Company, levy 1874-75.	874 98	231 56	643 12	.....
362	Eastern Market Company, levy 1874-75 ..	994 15	381 53	612 62	.....
363	Eastern Market Company note account ..	.....	100 00	.....	100 00
364	Northeastern Market Company, levy of 1874-75.	160 00	33 34	126 66	.....
366	Western Market Company, levy 1874-75. .	317 87	911 43	.....	593 56
460	Georgetown Market Company, levy 1874-75	495 42	412 34	83 08	.....
	<i>General accounts.</i>	6,361,776 61	6,530,781 46		
160	James S. Wilson, treasurer, District of Columbia.	3,086,188 65	2,917,329 20	168,859 45	.....
154	James S. Wilson, treasurer, bills receivable	2,712 38	1,046 48	1,665 90	.....
170	L. Clephane, late collector	115,669 43	115,669 43	.....	.....
171	John F. Cook, collector	1,534,869 71	1,534,869 61	10	.....
172	National Bank of Commerce, New York ..	153,192 53	153,192 53	.....	.....
179	Fourth National Bank, New York	100,863 33	100,863 33	.....	.....
180	First National Bank, New York	482,720 73	482,720 73	.....	.....
180	do .....	.....	1,520 60	.....	1,520 60
150	Bills payable	604,055 86	604,055 86	.....	.....
140	F. Coyle, comptroller, District of Columbia, account 3.65-bonds.	2,250,000 00	2,250,000 00	.....	.....
	Total	14,692,049 23	14,692,049 23	5,870,637 96	5,870,637 96

Title of account.	Aggregates.	
	Expenditures.	Receipts.
Total receipts as per accompanying detailed statement .....	.....	\$3,086,188 65
Total expenditures as per classified statement and schedule of warrants issued	\$2,917,329 20	.....
Balance in Treasury of United States December 1, 1874	168,859 45
Total	3,086,188 65	3,086,188 65

FITZHUGH COYLE,
Comptroller.

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APPENDIX H.

WASHINGTON CITY, November 16, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to transmit herewith tabular statements, in gross, of the transactions of this office since its organization to November 1, 1874.

Table marked A shows the issue of certificates of indebtedness issued by the board of public works, amount paid, and balance due.

Two tables, marked B, show amount of assessments under act of legislative assembly August 10, 1874, and amount of assessments under act same assembly May 29, 1873.

Table marked C shows collections for general sewerage repealed by Congress June 19, 1874; and

Table marked D shows the transactions of this office since its organization under the present District Columbia government.

Very respectfully,

GEO. M. BEALL,
Deputy Comptroller.

Hon. COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT COLUMBIA.

A.—Lien certificates issued by board of public works, to whom sold, and amount paid and interest to November 1, 1874.

		Amount paid principal.	Amount paid interest.	Total.
First National Bank, New York		\$11,285 78	\$291 69	\$11,507 47
National Metropolitan Bank, District of Columbia ..	\$769,877 33	271,205 40	24,088 61	295,294 01
L. Johnson & Co., District of Columbia	17,141 31	10,024 17	553 95	10,578 72
J. A. Ruff, District of Columbia	11,484 81	5,817 29	344 16	6,161 45
John Hitz, District of Columbia	11,622 90	4,289 09	354 31	4,643 40
Held by board of public works, District of Columbia ..	6,081 31	875 16	68 40	943 56
Held by treasurer of board, District of Columbia	2,911 45	1,251 72	23 53	1,275 25
	114 87			
	\$10,233 98	304,748 61	25,654 65	330,403 26
	304,748 61			
		505,485 37		
To balance due November 1, 1874	505,485 37			
		\$10,233 98		
			Balance due on lien cer- tificates.	

Net amount paid First National Bank, New York	\$306,801 48
Net amount paid National Metropolitan Bank, District of Columbia	10,578 12
Net amount paid L. Johnson & Co., District of Columbia	6,161 45
Net amount paid J. A. Ruff, District of Columbia	4,643 40
Net amount paid John Hitz, District of Columbia	943 56
Net amount paid board of public works	1,275 25
	330,403 26

A.—Statement showing gross amount of assessments from October 2, 1873, to October 12, 1874, under act of legislative assembly May 29, 1873.

Assessments made by board public works, payable in five equal annual installments	\$1,176,982 07
Assessments made by commissioners Dis- trict Columbia	\$31,995 86
Less drawbacks	4,844 96
	27,150 90
	\$1,204,132 97

Collected from 2d October, 1873, to 1st November, 1874, and paid over to commissioners sinking-fund, to wit:	
8 per cent. improvement certificates	\$435,400 00
Accrued interest on certificates	9,478 82
Cash deposited to credit of commissioners sinking-fund in National Metropolitan Bank	16,330 63
Auditor's certificates taken in payment, cau- celed and now in this office	98,472 41
	589,731 86

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Lien certificates issued by commissioners District Columbia and deposited with commissioners sinking-fund.....	\$595,535 64	
Balance due on Gay street, Georgetown; work not finished, certificates not issued.....	4,156 63	
Balance due on K street, Washington; work not finished, certificates not issued.....	3,002 64	
Balance due on assessments since September 26, 1874.....	11,706 20	
	<u>\$614,401 11</u>	
		<u>\$1,204,132 97</u>

B.—Statement showing gross assessments by board of public works, under act of legislative assembly, August 10, 1871, from October 15, 1871, to April 14, 1873.

Assessments made by board public works, payable in one year..... \$1,232,658 57

Collected and paid to treasurer of the board of public works, per account-book.....	\$366,245 89	
Collected and paid to holders of lien certificates, per vouchers.....	304,748 61	
Lien certificates unpaid.....	505,485 37	
Due by United States, (paid to board of public works, but not reported).....	55,123 90	
Due by individuals for which lien certificates were not issued on the order of the board of public works, they being indebted to said individuals.....	1,054 71	
		<u>1,232,658 57</u>

C.—Collections for general sewerage from October 22, 1873, to June 8, 1874, repealed by Congress June 19, 1874.

Total amount collected..... \$554,552 08

Paid to commissioners sinking-fund, to wit:		
8 per cent. sewerage certificates.....	\$512,050 00	
Accrued interest on certificates.....	3,536 47	
Cash deposited to credit commissioners sinking-fund in National Metropolitan Bank.....	8,270 75	
Auditor's certificates taken in payment for sewerage by order board of public works, canceled and now in this office....	30,694 85	
		<u>554,552 07</u>

D.—Statement showing amount collected for commissioners sinking-fund and lien certificates from July 1 to November 1, 1874.

Total amount collected and paid to commissioners sinking-fund..... \$42,615 94

To wit:		
8 per cent. improvement bonds.....	\$35,400 00	
Accrued interest on improvement bonds.....	777 31	
Cash deposited to the credit of commissioners sinking-fund in the National Metropolitan Bank.....	6,438 63	
		<u>42,615 94</u>

Lien certificates issued and signed by commissioners District Columbia.....	595 535 64
Deposited lien certificates with commissioners District Columbia to this date, November 20, 1874.....	595,535 64

APPENDIX I.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Comptroller's Office, Washington, November 21, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to submit the following estimate of expenses for the comptroller's office from December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875; also for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1876, viz:

	1875.	1876.
Salaries of comptroller, clerks, and messenger.....	\$6,521 62	\$11,179 42
Stationery, including printing.....	350 00	600 00
Contingencies.....	175 00	300 00
Total.....	7,046 62	12,079 42

The foregoing estimate for salaries is based upon the present twenty per cent. reduction ordered by Congress. My opinion is, these salaries are altogether inadequate for the character of labor performed in my office, and that they should be restored to the amounts paid previous to the passage of the act of June 20, 1874.

Very respectfully,

F. COYLE,
Comptroller District Columbia.

Hon. COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

APPENDIX J.

NOVEMBER 30, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: At your request I submit the following statement. The data as to cost of improvements are obtained from the board of audit.

Total cost of work in Washington City.....	\$14,297,232 02
Total cost of work in Georgetown.....	725,498 37
Total cost of work in county.....	464,516 85
	15,487,247 24
One-third assessable to adjoining property.....	5,162,415 75
Amount assessed by board public works, act August 10, 1871.....	1,232,658 57
	3,929,777 18
Auditor's certificates received in payment of assessments, per order board public works.....	\$98,472 41
Cash deposited National Metropolitan Bank.....	16,380 63
Accrued interest on certificates.....	9,478 82
	124,331 86
Eight per cent. certificates for which the balance of assessments are pledged.....	3,805,425 32
	2,000,000 00
	1,805,425 32
Less interest paid on eight per cent. certificates, including estimate of amount required first January next.....	191,370 95
Balance to credit District Columbia.....	1,614,054 37

Respectfully,

GEO. W. BEALL,
Deputy Comptroller.

Hon. COMMISSIONERS SINKING-FUND.

APPENDIX K.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 4, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to submit the following expenses estimated from December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875:

For clerical services (at the present rates).....	\$2,900 00
For books and stationery, (contingent upon the amount of assessments)....	300 00
For contingent expenses, (estimating for extra pay, delivering assessment-bills*).....	200 00
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	3,400 00
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For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1876:

Clerical services.....	\$5,800 00
Books and stationery.....	150 00
Contingent expenses, including extra pay for delivering assessment-bills....	300 00
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	6,250 00

Very respectfully,

GEO. M. BEALL,
Deputy Comptroller.

Hon. COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Auditor's Office, Washington, December 1, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: I transmit herewith a summary statement showing the operations of this office from the organization of the present government of the District of Columbia to this date. The number of audits which have been made are 1,040, requiring the examination and adjustment of 9,576 individual accounts, as evidenced by the separate warrants drawn by the comptroller and countersigned by me for payment of the same. The total amount audited is \$2,917,448.82. Of this sum there was audited, on account of expenses accruing prior to the organization of the present government, the sum of \$2,128,155.88, distributed as follows:

For payment of officers, employes, and laborers of the board of public works.....	\$315,223 86
For payment of officers, employes, and laborers of the District of Columbia.....	297,434 18
For payment of contractors' laborers.....	50,618 43
For payment of temporary loans and interest, for which District bonds had been pledged.....	1,136,903 34
For payment of interest on the funded debt of the District of Columbia, due July 1, 1874.....	283,549 03
For payment of debts of the fire-department.....	34,291 47
For payment of judgments against the District of Columbia.....	10,135 57
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Making.....	2,128,155 83

There was audited, on account of the expenses of the present government, exclusive of the board of audit, \$526,155.18; on account of expenses of the board of audit, \$26,005.04; and for re-imbursement to the United States for its advances, on account of interest which had been

* "Extra pay," is for temporary service, delivering bills to property-holders. This expense is entirely contingent upon the amount and number of assessments.

paid by the United States on the funded debt of the District of Columbia and Washington and Georgetown, due and payable July 1, 1874, \$237,132.72.

In addition to the claims audited, I have examined 166 accounts for services rendered, amounting to \$32,084.81, and have declined to audit them because I have been unable to find any express provision of law authorizing the employment of the claimants; the act of the legislative assembly, approved January 19, 1872, providing "that thereafter no additional force be employed in any office of the District of Columbia, without the express authority of the legislative assembly," being conclusive of my action. Most of these claims, however, and especially those of the temporary clerks employed in the office of collector of taxes and other departments of the District government are for services which have been required by the exigencies of the government, and the services having been actually performed, some provision ought, in my opinion, be made for their payment.

I respectfully suggest that Congress may be asked for the necessary authority to settle such of these claims as may be found to be just.

Very respectfully,

JOHN T. VINSON,

Auditor District of Columbia.

HON. COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

APPENDIX L.—*Summary statement of the expenditures of the government of the District of Columbia on its own account and on account of the late corporations of Washington and Georgetown from July 1, 1874, to December 1, 1874, a period of five months, as shown by the books of the auditor's office.*

Title of account.	Amount audited.		Amount for which warrants were countersigned.	Amount of audits unpaid.
	Detail.	Total.		
GENERAL DISTRICT.				
Compensation—				
Commissioners and employes.....	\$8,825 43	.....	\$8,825 43	.....
Auditor and employes.....	2,253 42	.....	2,193 42	\$60 00
Attorney, assistant attorney, and employes.....	2,028 74	.....	2,028 74	.....
Assessors.....	554 76	.....	554 76	.....
Board of audit and employes.....	23,985 83	.....	23,985 83	.....
Comptroller and employes.....	5,293 27	.....	5,293 27	.....
Collector and employes.....	4,899 50	.....	4,899 50	.....
Coroner.....	516 66	.....	516 66	.....
Deputy comptroller and employes.....	2,079 37	.....	2,079 37	.....
Engineer's office, including clerks, superintendents, laborers employed by parking commission, laborers cleaning and repairing streets, lamp-lighters in Georgetown, &c.....	46,866 39	.....	46,866 39	.....
Inspectors and weighers of coal.....	37 34	.....	37 34	.....
Superintendent of assessments and taxes and employes.....	2,438 96	.....	2,438 96	.....
Scaler of weights and measures.....	20 00	.....	20 00	.....
Treasurer District Columbia and employes.....	1,300 00	.....	1,300 00	.....
Garbage collectors.....	6,212 40	.....	6,212 40	.....
Employes commissioners of sinking-fund ..	301 34	\$107,613 41	301 34	.....
Contingent expenses—				
Commissioners' office.....	775 83	.....	775 83	.....
Auditor's office.....	119 10	.....	119 10	.....
Attorney's office.....	511 50	.....	511 50	.....
Board of audit.....	2,119 21	.....	2,119 21	.....
Collector's office.....	968 15	.....	968 15	.....
Commissioners of the sinking-fund	47 25	.....	47 25	.....
Coroner's office.....	76 75	.....	76 75	.....
Comptroller's office.....	292 40	.....	292 40	.....
Deputy comptroller's office.....	282 98	.....	282 98	.....
Engineer's office and department, including the removal of public property, livery, stationery, and miscellaneous items.....	3,649 54	3,649 54

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APPENDIX L.—Summary statement of expenditures of District of Columbia, &c.—Continued.

Title of account.	Amount audited.		Amount for which warrants were countersigned.	Amount of audits unpaid.
	Detail.	Total.		
GENERAL DISTRICT—Continued.				
Contingent expenses—				
Register of wills' office.....	\$55 00		\$55 00	
Register's office.....	264 00		264 00	
Surveyor's office.....	102 00		102 00	
Superintendent of assessments and taxes.....	178 30		178 30	
Treasurer's office.....	25 95	\$9,467 96	25 95	
District offices—				
Rent of.....	2,673 39		2,673 39	
Stationery for.....	743 55		743 55	
Fuel for.....	950 34		950 34	
Gas for.....	309 75		309 75	
Ice for.....	131 20		131 20	
General advertising.....	8,288 91		8,288 91	
Advertising for engineer's office.....	1,231 61		1,231 61	
Rent of property, yards, and office for engineer's department.....	137 10		137 10	
Insurance on District offices and furniture.....	62 52	14,528 37	62 52	
Judicial expenses District of Columbia.....	214 40	214 40	214 40	
Charities—				
Medicines to poor.....	400 85		400 85	
Burial of deceased poor.....	370 50		370 50	
Transportation and relief of poor.....	70 00		70 00	
Pay of physicians to poor.....	440 00		440 00	
Treatment of insane poor United States Insane Asylum.....	1,456 77	2,738 12	1,456 77	
Market rental fund—				
Treatment of poor, Freedmen's Hospital.....	656 50		656 50	
Payments to charitable institutions.....	200 00	856 50	200 00	
Reform School, support of inmates.....	6,307 75	6,307 75	6,307 75	
Washington Asylum—				
Pay of attendant and physician.....	600 00		600 00	
General contingent expenses of.....	9,371 92		9,371 92	
Fuel for.....	1,369 28		1,369 28	
Insurance on.....	80 00		80 00	
Materials for making coffins at.....	204 07	11,625 27	204 07	
Georgetown almshouse—				
Pay of officers and employes.....	273 34		273 34	
Insurance on.....	56 00		56 00	
Fuel for.....	197 95		197 95	
General contingent expenses of.....	708 63	1,235 92	708 63	
Board of health, for sanitary purposes.....	14,142 89	14,142 89	14,142 89	
Interest on bonds of the District of Columbia—				
Due July 1, 1874.....	253,549 03		253,549 03	
Due November, 1874.....	25,000 00	308,549 03	25,000 00	
Printing bonds for District of Columbia.....	11,300 00		11,300 00	
Expressage on bonds and coupons of District of Columbia.....	335 25	11,635 25	335 25	
Payment of temporary loans and interest—				
District of Columbia.....	472,060 19		472,060 19	
Board of public works.....	262,153 65		262,153 65	
Commissioners of sinking fund.....	402,689 50	1,136,903 34	402,689 50	
Payment of judgments against District of Columbia.....	10,135 57	10,135 57	10,135 57	
Payment of officers and employes—				
District of Columbia.....	282,446 51		282,446 51	
Board of public works.....	297,373 68		297,373 68	\$60 50
Water department.....	32,777 35		32,777 35	
Contractors' laborers, board of public works.....	50,618 43	603,276 47	50,618 43	
Payment of debts of the fire-department to July 1, 1874.....	34,291 47	34,291 47	34,291 17	30
Improvements and repairs, District of Columbia.....	5,458 98		5,458 98	
Purchase of materials for improvements and repairs.....	1,309 41		1,309 41	
Cleaning and watering streets.....	1,312 50	8,020 89	1,312 50	
Expenses of condemning ground for alleys.....	32 21		32 21	
Expenses of sale of hay-scales.....	4 17	56 38	4 17	
WASHINGTON CITY.				
Fire-department.				
Pay of officers and members.....	18,746 71		18,746 71	
General contingencies, including expenses of fire-alarm telegraph.....	6,723 64		6,723 64	
Fuel for.....	379 43	25,849 78	379 43	

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APPENDIX L.—Summary statement of expenditures of District of Columbia, &c.—Continued.

Title of account.	Amount audited.		Amount for which warrants were countersigned.	Amount of audits unpaid.
	Detail.	Total.		
WASHINGTON CITY—Continued.				
Public schools—				
Pay of superintendent and teachers.....	\$29,666 81		\$29,666 81	
Janitors.....	2,729 68		2,729 68	
Repairs to buildings.....	4,499 76		4,499 76	
Rent of buildings.....	3,010 52		3,010 52	
Insurance on buildings.....	663 40		663 46	
Fuel for.....	3,368 73		3,368 73	
Furniture for.....	2,350 97		2,350 97	
General contingencies.....	3,885 13	\$50,115 00	3,885 13	
Colored schools, expenses of.....	21,763 67	21,763 67	21,763 67	
Metropolitan police—				
Pay of officers, members, and employés.....	44,535 35		44,535 35	
Rent of police-stations.....	150 00		150 00	
Repairs to police-stations.....	382 05		382 05	
Insurance on police-stations.....				
Fuel for police-stations.....	994 78		994 78	
General contingencies.....	786 24	46,848 42	786 24	
Gas and lamps—				
Lighting, cleaning, extinguishing, and furnishing gas for street lamps.....	48,653 33		48,653 33	
Erection of street lamps.....	529 94		529 94	
Repairs to street lamps.....	389 11	49,572 38	389 11	
Markets—				
Pay of market-masters.....	639 96		639 96	
Contingent expenses, Northern.....	661 66		661 66	
Northeastern.....				
Eastern.....	860 83		860 83	
Western.....	193 55		184 55	\$9 00
Insurance on.....		2,356 00		
Refunding erroneous taxes.....	2,565 71		2,565 71	
Redemption fund of Washington.....	168 98	2,734 69	168 98	
CITY OF GEORGETOWN.				
Fire department—				
Pay of officers and members.....	3,883 30		3,883 30	
General contingencies, including expenses of the fire-alarm telegraph.....	2,107 87		2,107 87	
Repairs to engine-houses.....	231 00		231 00	
Insurance on engine-houses.....				
Fuel for engine-houses.....	34 30	6,256 47	34 30	
Public schools—				
Pay of superintendent and teachers.....	3,249 77		3,249 77	
Janitors.....	148 00		148 00	
Erection of school-buildings.....	2,000 00		2,000 00	
Repairs to school-buildings.....	244 94		244 94	
Rent of school-buildings.....				
Insurance on school-buildings.....	50 20		50 20	
Fuel for school-buildings.....	347 43		347 43	
Furniture for school-buildings.....				
General contingencies.....	413 19	6,453 53	413 19	
Colored schools, expenses of.....	483 70	483 70	483 70	
Metropolitan police—				
Pay of officers, members, and employés.....	5,282 89		5,282 89	
Repairs to police-stations.....	25 42		25 42	
Rent of police-stations.....				
Insurance on police-stations.....				
Fuel for police-stations.....	146 24		146 24	
General contingencies.....	92 80	5,547 35	92 80	
Gas and lamps—				
Gas used in street lamps.....	4,270 96		4,270 96	
Erection of street lamps.....	19 96		19 96	
Repairs to street lamps.....	109 88	4,400 80	109 88	
Markets—				
Pay of market-master.....	133 32		133 32	
Contingent expenses.....	337 10		337 10	
Insurance on Georgetown Market.....	75 00	545 42	75 00	
Refunding erroneous taxes.....	88 96	88 96	88 96	
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON.				
Public schools—				
Pay of teachers county schools.....	6,057 33		6,057 33	
Janitors county schools.....	386 00		386 00	
Erection of school-buildings.....	1,275 00		1,275 00	
Repairs to school-buildings.....				

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APPENDIX L.—Summary statement of expenditures of District of Columbia, &c.—Continued.

Title of account.	Amount audited.		Amount for which warrants were countersigned.	Amount of audits unpaid.
	Detail.	Total.		
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON—Continued.				
Public schools—				
Rent of school-buildings				
Insurance on school-buildings	\$334 00		\$334 00	
Fuel for school-buildings	162 64		162 64	
Furniture for school-buildings	247 63		247 63	
General contingencies	489 14	\$8,951 74	489 14	
Metropolitan police—				
Pay of officers, members, and employes	2,716 44		2,716 44	
Repairs to police-stations	1 20		1 20	
Rent of police-stations	300 00		300 00	
Fuel for police-stations	118 73		118 73	
Insurance on police-stations				
General contingencies	53 75	3,190 12	53 75	
Refunding erroneous taxes	19 68	19 68	19 68	
LATE CORPORATION OF WASHINGTON.				
Interest on bonds late corporation Washington	19,447 26		19,447 26	
Payments out of the water-fund of	234 30		234 30	
Redemption of water-stock bonds of	5,838 86	25,520 42	5,838 86	
LATE CORPORATION OF GEORGETOWN.				
Interest on bonds late corporation Georgetown	3,875 34	3,875 34	3,875 34	
SPECIAL.				
To re-imburse the United States for advances to pay interest due July 1, 1874	237,132 72	237,132 72	237,132 72	
Water-department—				
Pay of water-registrar and employes in his office	2,914 99		2,914 99	
Pay of laborers in water-department	13,632 15		13,632 15	
Contingent expenses water-registrar's office	89 50		89 50	
Contingent expenses water-department	2,921 86	19,558 50	2,921 86	
Redemption of tax-lien certificates	25,637 59		25,637 59	
Redemption of special-tax scrip	28,222 15		28,222 15	
Redemption of Pennsylvania-avenue scrip	685 40	54,545 14	685 40	
Totals	2,917,448 82	2,917,448 82	2,917,319 02	\$129 80

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Audits	\$2,917,448 82
Amount for which checks were countersigned	\$2,917,319 02
Amount of unpaid audits	129 80
	<u>2,917,448 82</u>

RECAPITULATION OF THE FOREGOING STATEMENT.

	Compensa- tions.	Contingent expenses.	Total.
Commissioners' office	\$8,825 43	\$775 83	\$9,601 26
Auditor's office	2,253 42	119 10	2,372 52
Attorney's office	2,093 74	511 50	2,540 24
Assessors	554 76		554 76
Board of audit	23,985 83	2,119 21	26,105 04
Comptroller's office	5,293 27	292 40	5,585 67
Collector's office	4,899 50	968 15	5,867 65
Coroner's office	516 66	76 75	593 41
Deputy comptroller's office	2,079 37	282 98	2,362 35
Engineer's office, including pay of laborers in compensa- tions, and rent of property-yards, advertising, &c., in contingent expenses	46,866 39	5,018 25	51,884 64
Register's office, (abolished)		264 00	264 00
Superintendent of assessments and taxes office	2,438 96	178 30	2,616 26
Treasurer's office	1,300 00	25 95	1,325 95
Inspectors and weighers of coal	37 34		37 34
Sealers of weights and measures	20 00		20 00
Garbage collectors	6,212 40		6,212 40
Register of will's office		55 00	55 00
Surveyor's office. (Salaries of this office embraced in the engineer's office.)		102 00	102 00

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RECAPITULATION OF THE FOREGOING STATEMENT—Continued.

	Compensation.	Contingent expenses.	Total.
Physicians to the poor	\$440 00		\$440 00
Commissioners of the sinking-fund office.....	301 34	\$47 25	348 59
District offices, including general advertising, gas, fuel, ice, stationery, rent, insurance, and judicial expenses		13,374 06	13 374 06
Charities, including medicines, transportation, burial of the poor, and treatment of poor at Freedmen's Hospital and Insane Asylum, and payments to charitable institutions.....		3,144 62	3,154 62
Board of health, District of Columbia		14,142 89	14,142 89
Washington Asylum.....		11,025 27	11,025 27
Georgetown almshouse.....	273 34	962 54	1,235 92
Fire-department	92,630 01	9,476 24	32,106 25
Washington public schools.....	32,396 49	17,718 51	50,115 00
Georgetown public schools.....	3,397 77	3,055 56	6,453 53
County public schools.....	6,443 33	2,508 41	8,951 74
Colored public schools	19,576 48	2,670 89	22,247 37
Metropolitan police	52,534 68	3,051 81	55,585 89
Markets, northern	213 32	661 66	874 98
northeastern	160 60		160 00
eastern	133 32	860 83	994 15
western	133 32	193 55	326 87
Georgetown	133 32	412 10	545 42
Water-department.....	16,547 14	3,011 36	19,558 50
MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.			
Support of inmates of the Reform School.....		6,307 75	6,307 75
Interest on bonds of the District of Columbia and late corporations.....		331,881 63	331,881 63
Redemption of water-stock, corporation Washington.....		5,838 86	5,838 86
Bonds, including expressage and printing of.....		11,635 25	11,635 25
Improvements, repairs, cleaning and watering streets, Lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repairing, erecting and furnishing gas for street-lamps in Washington and Georgetown.....		53,973 18	53,973 18
Refunding erroneous taxes, redemption of special tax-scrip, tax-lien certificates, property sold for taxes, and Pennsylvania avenue paving-scrip, and erroneous payments to the water-fund of the late corporation of Washington.....		57,622 77	57,622 77
Miscellaneous, including expenses for condemning ground for alleys, and expenses attending the sale of hay-scales.....		36 38	36 38
Expenses of the government of the District of Columbia, incurred on its own account, from which is to be deducted the July interest, \$283,549.03	263,925 93	572,483 32	835,709 25
Payment of temporary loans and interest.....		1,136,903 34	1,136,903 34
Payment of officers and employes of the District prior to June 30, 1874, and laborers under contractors board of public works.....		663,276 47	663,276 47
Payment of the debts of the fire-department, from February 1, 1873, to June 30, 1874.....		34,291 47	34,291 47
Payment of judgments vs. District of Columbia		10,135 57	10,135 57
Payment of advances made by United States to pay the interest due July 1, 1874, on District of Columbia bonds		237,132 72	237,132 72
Payments made on account of the late government, to which is to be added the July (1874) interest, \$283,549.03.....	263,925 93	2,654,222 69	2,917,448 82

Respectfully submitted.

DECEMBER 1, 1874.

JOHN T. VINSON.
Auditor District of Columbia.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, D. C., November 19, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: In answer to your request to be furnished with estimates of amounts to be received at this office from all sources of revenue to the 30th of June, 1875, "classifying as nearly as you" (I) "can the amounts to be received monthly," I have the honor to submit the following statement, begging leave, however, to say that estimates predicated on probable receipts of taxes would be rather conjectural than reasonably approximate.

There has been received to November 1, 1874, on present levy, (as per act of Congress approved June 20, 1874,) \$1,204,706.34 gross, \$1,176,894.33 net, (*i. e.*, less deductions for prompt payment,) on the following assessment-valuations and rates of tax as furnished by the superintendent of assessment and taxes:

	Assessment values.	
Washington City.....	\$2,293,006, at 3 per cent....	\$2,463,719.18
Georgetown City.....	6,312,099, at 2½ per cent....	157,802.48
Dist. of Col. (outside of the two cities).....	9,270,036, at 2 per cent.....	185,400.72
Total assessment value.....	97,875,141	2,811,922.38

Leaving \$1,607,216.04 to be collected for the year ending June 30, 1875, of which amount \$1,000,000 will be collected within the limit of the period named, and may be classified monthly as follows:

1874.—November.....	\$150,000
December.....	125,000
1875.—January.....	120,000
February.....	250,000
March.....	150,000
April.....	77,500
May.....	77,500
June.....	50,000
Aggregating.....	1,000,000

For levy ending June 30, 1874, there is an uncollected balance estimated at \$500,000, of which amount there will be received during the period ending June 30, 1875, \$350,000, in monthly installments, as follows:

1874.—November.....	\$40,000
December.....	45,000
1875.—January.....	45,000
February.....	50,000
March.....	70,000
April.....	37,500
May.....	37,500
June.....	25,000
Aggregate.....	350,000

To which estimates above stated, there will be collected on account of preceding levies, from all sources, general tax \$150,000, in monthly receipts, as follows:

1874.—November.....	\$25,000
December.....	20,000
1875.—January.....	20,000
February.....	25,000
March.....	30,000
April.....	10,000
May.....	10,000
June.....	10,000
Aggregate.....	150,000

To which receipts, on account of general tax, add the receipts of license-revenue amounting to \$150,000, in monthly sums, as follows:

1874.—November.....	\$45,500
December.....	44,500
1875.—January.....	16,000
February.....	5,750
March.....	5,250
April.....	24,000
May.....	6,000
June.....	3,000
Total.....	150,000

Recapitulation of receipts for period ending June 30, 1875.

General tax for year ending June 30, 1875.....	\$1,000,000
General tax for year ending June 30, 1874.....	350,000
Arrears of all general-tax accounts.....	150,000
Licenses.....	150,000

Grand total..... 1,650,000

In answer to the request to submit estimates of amounts to be received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1876, from all sources, I submit the following:

Present valuation of real estate of Washington City is, as rendered by the superintendent of assessment and taxes, for the present year.....	\$82,293,006
For Georgetown.....	6,312,099
For Washington County.....	9,270,036

Washington City valuation:

\$82,293,006, at 3 per cent.....	\$2,468,790 18
at 2 per cent.....	1,645,785 02
at 1½ per cent.....	1,234,338 76

Georgetown valuation:

\$6,312,099, at 3 per cent.....	\$189,362 97
at 2 per cent.....	126,241 98
at 1½ per cent.....	94,681 49

District of Columbia, outside of Washington and Georgetown, (County) valuation:

\$9,270,036, at 3 per cent.....	\$278,101 08
at 2 per cent.....	185,400 72
at 1½ per cent.....	139,050 54

Annual revenue derived from licenses at present rates and charges, \$175,000.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN F. COOK,

Collector of Taxes District of Columbia.

Hon. COMMISSIONERS FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

APPENDIX M.

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, D. C.,
Washington, November 24, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: In answer to your request "to furnish an itemized estimate of salaries and of the contingent expenses of this office to June 30, 1875," and "a similar estimate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1876," I have the honor to submit the following returns, viz:

For use of collector's office in collection of taxes.

Salaries to June 30, 1875:

Collector at \$5,000 per annum, less 20 per cent.....	\$2,333 34
One clerk at \$1,800 per annum, less 20 per cent.....	840 00
Two clerks at \$1,500 per annum, less 20 per cent.....	1,400 00
One clerk at \$1,200 per annum, less 20 per cent.....	560 00
Three clerks at \$4 per diem, less 20 per cent.....	1,747 20
Messenger at \$900 per annum, less 20 per cent.....	420 00

Total amount for salaries to June 30, 1875..... 7,300 54

Contingent expenses to June 30, 1875, for the service of the collection of taxes.

6 tax day-books	\$120 00
3 tax-sale books	60 00
1 arrears day-book	25 00
1 tax-lien redemption day-book	20 00
1 arrears redemption day-book	20 00
1 water day-book	2 50
1 blank-book for distributions	2 50
4 blank-books	6 00
12 license certificate of deposit-books	120 00
2 letter-press books	6 00
1 dozen office scratch-books, assorted	6 00
1 dozen scrap-books for advertised lists	36 00
1 market day-book	15 00
3 reams of letter-paper, halved, with office headings	15 00
2 reams of letter-paper, whole, with office headings	10 00
2 reams of foolscap-paper	10 00
2 reams of letter-paper	9 00
1 ream of note-paper	3 00
4 reams of legal-cap paper	20 00
6 reams of elephant post-paper	10 00
6 boxes of small white envelopes	6 00
12 boxes of assorted large envelopes	50 00
12 boxes of assorted small envelopes	15 00
2 dozen Congress tie envelopes	4 80
3 boxes of Gillott's No. 404 pens	3 00
1 box of Lyons & Patterson's Edinburgh No. 1	1 00
2 boxes of Lyons & Patterson's Edinburgh No. 2	2 00
1 box of Perry & Co.'s extra fine point	1 00
1 box of Spencerian No.	1 00
12 dozen lead-pencils, Faber's Nos. 2, 3	9 00
1 dozen red and blue pencils	1 50
2 copies of Boyd's District of Columbia Directory	8 00
1 pair of shears	1 50
2 dozen rubber pen-holders	6 00
3 bottles for red ink	3 00
6 dozen quart bottles of Maynard & Noyes' ink	50 00
6 dozen quart bottles of Arnold's ink	72 00
1 dozen quart bottles of Carter's copying ink	12 00
1 dozen inkstands	3 00
1 dozen Woodruff's file-holders	12 00
1 dozen ink erasers	9 00
1 dozen rulers	6 00
1 dye-stamp	12 00
2 dozen rubber erasers	6 00
1 dozen clamps	3 00
1 right-angle triangle rule	1 25
3 boxes paper-fasteners	2 70
6 boxes of pins	4 50
6 dozen boxes of rubber-bands, assorted	54 00
1 dozen bottles of mucilage	3 00
1 dozen mucilage stands	9 00
12 dozen sheets of blotting-paper	12 00
1 dozen sponges	1 00
1 dozen sponge-cups	1 50
Postage and revenue stamps	100 00
Incidentals, not enumerated	100 00
	<hr/> \$1, 102 75
Also, the following tax-bills, viz:	
500 small-sized Washington bills	3 50
5,000 of Washington Corporation	30 00
2,000 of short Washington arrears bills	12 00
2,000 of special bills	9 00
4,000 of redemption bills	16 00
4,000 of certificates of sale	30 00
	<hr/> 100 50

Total contingent expenses for collection of taxes to June 30, 1875..... 1,203 25

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There will be required on account of the collections of the revenue derived from licenses on trades, business, and professions under existing regulations, the following named articles for residue of fiscal year ending June 30, 1875:

1 registry-book of licenses issued to wagons, &c.....	\$10 00
1 registry-book of licenses issued to carts, drays, &c.....	10 00
1 registry-book of licenses issued to produce-dealers at large, and in the several markets, peddlers and commercial agents.....	12 00
1 registry-book of licenses issued for rental of market-stalls.....	10 00
6 license-application books.....	60 00
250 commercial agent's blanks of license.....	1 75
500 produce-dealers at large.....	3 50
200 hackney-carriage blanks of license.....	1 40
3, 500 wagon blanks of license.....	24 50
3, 000 cart blanks of license.....	21 00
750 daily report to comptroller of license issue.....	5 25
500 general-license blanks for balls, &c.....	3 50
1,000 general-merchandise dealers, blanks for license.....	7 00
3,000 numbers painted on tin for wagons, 10 cents each.....	300 00
2,500 numbers painted on tin for carts, 10 cents each.....	250 00

Amounting to..... 719 90

For use of collector's office in connection with the engineer's department for residue of year ending June 30, 1875.

$\frac{1}{2}$ dozen permit-books.....	\$60 00
1 permit fee-receipt book.....	10 00
1 contractor's deposit-receipt book.....	10 00

Amounting to..... 80 00

Estimate of expenses for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1876.

Salaries:

Collector, at \$5,000 per annum, less 20 per cent.....	\$4,000 00
One clerk, at \$1,800 per annum, less 20 per cent.....	1,440 00
Two clerks, at \$1,500 per annum, less 20 per cent.....	2,400 00
One clerk, at \$1,200 per annum, less 20 per cent.....	960 00
Three clerks, at \$4 per diem, less 20 per cent.....	3,014 40
One messenger, \$900 per annum, less 20 per cent.....	720 00

Total amount for salaries for year ending June 30, 1876..... 12,534 40

Contingent expenses for the service of the collection of taxes.

2 tax day-books.....	\$40 00
2 tax-sale books.....	40 00
8 license-deposit books.....	80 00
2 letter-press books.....	6 00
1 dozen scratch-books.....	6 00
1 market-deposit book.....	10 00
6 reams of official letter-paper, halved.....	30 00
2 reams of official letter-paper, whole.....	10 00
2 reams of foolscap-paper.....	20 00
2 reams of letter-paper.....	9 00
2 reams of note-paper.....	6 00
6 reams of legal-cap paper.....	30 00
6 reams of elephant-post paper, advertised lists.....	10 00
1 dozen boxes small white envelopes.....	12 00
15 boxes large assorted official envelopes.....	50 00
15 boxes small assorted official envelopes.....	15 00
3 boxes, 404, Gillott's pens; 1 box Falcon; 2 boxes Lyons & Patterson's Edinburgh No. 1; 3 boxes Edinburgh No. 2; 5 boxes assorted pens.....	14 00
3 boxes assorted penholders.....	3 00
10 dozen lead-pencils.....	7 50
1 dozen red and blue pencils.....	1 50
Postage and revenue stamps.....	200 00
Incidentals.....	200 00

\$300 00

Tax-bills as follows:

37,000 general tax-bills.....	259 00
4,000 certificate of sale.....	16 00

275 00

Total contingent expenses for collection of taxes..... 1,075 00

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1876, there will be required for the license-revenue department, if the same regulations of charge or taxation are continued, the following articles :

One registry-book of licenses issued to dealers in merchandise, (300 pp.).....	\$15 00
One registry-book of licenses issued to dealers in liquors, (120 pp.).....	12 50
One registry-book of licenses issued to proprietors of bar-rooms, (120 pp.).....	8 00
One registry-book of licenses issued for wagons, &c	10 00
One registry-book of licenses issued for carts, &c.....	10 00
12 license application form-books.....	120 00
3,500 license-blanks for wagons, &c	24 50
3,000 license-blanks for carts, &c.....	21 00
500 license-blanks for insurance and real-estate agents.....	3 50
2,000 license-blanks for produce dealers in several markets	14 00
500 license-blanks for produce dealers at large	3 50
100 license-blanks for peddlers.....	70
250 license-blanks for commercial agents.....	1 75
400 license-blanks for butchers	2 80
500 license-blanks for butchers' rentals markets.....	3 50
1,500 license-blanks for general application.....	10 50
5,000 license-blanks for general dealers in merchandise.....	35 00
1,000 license-blanks for wholesale liquor.....	7 00
500 license-blanks for bar-room.....	3 50
5,000 application of dealers in merchandise.....	35 00
2,000 application of dealers in liquors	14 00
1,000 application of proprietors of bar-rooms.....	7 00
500 insurance agents' return-form	3 50
300 application of apothecary	2 10
300 real-estate agents' return-forms	2 10
150 wood and coal yard permit-blanks	1 05
200 liquor dealers bond-form	1 40
200 real-estate and auctioneers' bond-form	1 40
3,000 wagon-numbers painted on tin	300 00
2,500 cart-numbers painted on tin.....	250 00
12 small blank-books	6 00
Amounting to	924 30

For use of collector's office in connection with engineer's department.

8 permit-books.....	\$80 00
2 permit fee-receipt-books	20 00
2 contractors' deposit-books.....	20 00
Amounting to	120 00

RECAPITULATION.

Salaries :

For fiscal year ending June 30, 1875.....	\$7,300 54		
For fiscal year ending June 30, 1876.....		\$12,534 40	\$19,834 94

Contingent expenses :

Tax branch.....	{	For fiscal year ending June 30, 1875.	1,203 25		
		For fiscal year ending June 30, 1876.		1,075 00	2,278 25
License branch.....	{	For fiscal year ending June 30, 1875.	719 90		
		For fiscal year ending June 30, 1876.		924 30	1,644 20
Engineer's dept.....	{	For fiscal year ending June 30, 1875.	80 00		
		For fiscal year ending June 30, 1876.		120 00	200 00
Grand total			9,303 69	14,653 70	23,957 39

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN F. COOK,
Collector District of Columbia.

Hon. COMMISSIONERS FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Treasurer's Office, Washington City, December 1, 1874.

Statement of moneys received from all sources, except appropriations, to current date.

National Metropolitan Bank balance transferred to United States Treasury	\$122,911 19
Tax-collector of District of Columbia	1,577,065 15
Water-registrar of District of Columbia	23,441 37
Washington Market Company	1,875 00
Police and criminal court fines	4,398 48
Interest collected on District bonds*	13,260 00
Interest—rebate made by First National Bank, New York City	810 02
Refund—cash advanced to pay freight	153 63
Collaterals sold—forfeit	\$222 50
Sale of property	505 25
Treasurer board public works, late†	2,225 35
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Hay-scales, sale of	2,953 10
Hay-scales and markets—revenue	2,110 00
Washington Asylum—grave-sites and releases	355 79
Alms-house, Georgetown, (garden)	391 12
Fire-insurance—refund	287 24
Fire-insurance—county school-house burned	10 20
Eastern market-house—sale of stalls	726 54
Coroner of District Columbia, (found on persons)	1,046 48
Late corporation Washington City—judgments	13 10
Board of audit—fees for copying	79 56
Treasurer late Washington City public schools—(refund)	6 00
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Total	1,751,896 99

Respectfully submitted to the honorable United States commissioners of the District of Columbia, by

JAMES S. WILSON,
Treasurer.

* By First National Bank, New York City, \$12,000 in gold, with premium thereon.

† \$2,108 01 balance—appropriation by Congress, act March 3, 1873.

117 34 balance—miscellaneous.

2,225 35.

APPENDIX N.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Treasurer's Office, Washington City, November 25, 1874.

Estimate for salaries and contingent expenses, required by United States Commissioners' circular note of current date.

	* From December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875.	* From July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876.	From December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875.	From July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876.
SALARIES.				
Treasurer District of Columbia	*\$1,750 00	*\$3,000 00		
Messenger	*525 00	*900 00		
CONTINGENT EXPENSES.				
Stationery, &c			\$7 00	\$12 00
Street-car fares, exchanging checks with city banks			35 00	60 00
Total	2,275 00	3,900 00	42 00	72 00

* By act of Congress, salaries less 20 per cent.

Respectfully submitted to honorable United States commissioners District of Columbia, by

JAMES S. WILSON,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 19, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: The board of fire commissioners take pleasure in complying with your request of the 11th instant, and have the honor to submit the following report and recommendations:

The buildings occupied by the department are as follows:

Office for commissioners and chief engineer, room 31 Columbia building.

Fire-alarm telegraph, central office, No. 482 Louisiana avenue

Five engine-houses.

One truck-house.

The houses of companies Nos. 1 and 5, and that of the truck, are in good condition, and, beyond the replacing of the incidental wear and tear to all property, will need no repairs. The house of No. 2 company requires considerable repair, including new roof, and we urge that, as this house has to undergo extensive repairs to make it habitable, the house be raised one story, so as to make the headquarters of the department at that point, it being the most central, and thereby concentrating the business of the department at one of the engine-houses.

The chief engineer, by this arrangement, would be near one engine company, and, in addition, by the aid of the telegraph, he would be in communication with the whole department.

The Government is building a new house for company No. 3, which, when completed, will leave that company well off in that particular.

APPARATUS.

Our apparatus now comprises four second-class Amoskeag steam fire-engines, and one second class Silsby rotary steam fire-engine, and seven hose-carriages in good condition, and two hook and ladder (old style) trucks, and one fuel-cart, and one telegraph repair-wagon.

Three of our steamers have been in constant service since the organization of the fire department in 1864, and the other two for seven years.

In the large northern cities, ten years is the average period of usefulness for this class of apparatus. From time to time we have caused them to be repaired, but they cannot be used with perfect safety much longer.

Engine No. 4 is now in the shop undergoing extensive repairs, and when repaired will be almost as good as new.

There is no denying the fact that the equipment of this department, so far as the number of steam fire-engines and hook and ladder trucks is concerned, is far from being safe or satisfactory. The old engines should be exchanged for new ones; the two trucks are of the old style and should make way for the new style of trucks, such as are used in Cincinnati, Chicago, New York, and other large cities.

In addition to the above the fire commissioners feel it their duty to again recommend the necessity of providing at least two more engine companies, one to be located in the northern section of the city, and the other in the northeastern section of the city; also, a new hook and ladder company for the western section of the city.

Eight or ten years ago there were more steam fire-engines in use in this city than there are at the present time; the Government had three steam fire-engines in service in addition to the apparatus belonging to the District of Columbia. If the companies now proposed, and herein recommended, are added to the present force, the department will then have the same number that were in service at the time the General Government disbanded its fire-brigade.

HORSES.

The stock belonging to this department consists of twenty-eight horses, twenty-four of which are in good condition; the remaining four, being incapacitated through age from actual service, should be replaced by serviceable horses.

HOSE.

There are now in the possession of this department 7,000 feet of good, serviceable leather hose, and 1,000 feet of serviceable gum hose, all in good condition, with the exception of a few bursted sections which can be repaired.

FIRE-ALARM TELEGRAPH.

One of the most pressing needs of our department is the reconstruction and extension of the fire-alarm telegraph.

Saving of valuable time by the use of the electric fire-alarm effects the rescue of millions of dollars' worth of valuable property from the

flames every year. Without it the best organized force is comparatively inefficient; with it the usefulness of the department is increased in a ratio which makes the expense insignificant in comparison.

Our city was one of the first to adopt the fire-alarm telegraph, but that was many years ago, and now a large portion of the most valuable property in Washington and Georgetown is outside the limits of the area guarded by the wires. This may result at any time in a disastrous conflagration. Worse than that is the fact that the area covered by the system is very insufficiently protected, and misplaced confidence in the alarm-boxes may lead to worse results even than the absence of the telegraph.

As stated above, Washington adopted the electric fire-alarm many years ago, and now the old-fashioned crank-boxes furnished us (then the best in use) are not always reliable. An alarm turned in from them by ignorant, careless, or reckless hands may strike the wrong number and mislead the firemen, thus *wasting* instead of *saving* time; the wires, too, have been so long in use that they have become unreliable in transmitting signals, and are subject to frequent breaks.

Then, too, numerous complaints are made by citizens of the unpleasant humming of the wires attached to their residences; while the work of detecting and remedying the imperfections in the wires is made much more difficult and expensive when they are thus attached.

There should be new wires on poles reaching every section of the two District cities, with a sufficient number of alarm-boxes to make them convenient to all our residents; also, two or three additional bell-strikers, which may be heard everywhere in the District. The old crank-boxes should be replaced with the latest improved boxes, which are certain in transmission, no matter how ignorant or careless the person turning in the alarm may be.

We beg, therefore, that you ask Congress to pass, at the next ensuing session, a proper bill for the erection of such a system of fire-telegraph in this District as the two cities need for the protection of life and property.

In connection with this subject we desire to call your attention to the necessity also of providing by law for the employment of a regular *repairman*, and one additional *operator* for the fire-alarm telegraph, as the present force there employed is not sufficient to perform the labor without working each man a far greater number of hours daily than other Government employes are worked.

Estimated expense from the 1st day of December, 1874, to the 30th day of June, 1875.

Pay of commissioners, officers, and men of the department, including fire-alarm telegraph	\$31,803 52
Repairs to apparatus	4,300 00
Repairs to houses	1,500 00
Repairs to harness	600 00
Miscellaneous supplies, such as oil, waste, bedding, and polishing-materials	2,200 00
Fire-alarm telegraph	1,300 00
Washing bed-clothes for the men	400 00
Horseshoeing	400 00
Fuel and gas	1,400 00
Horse-feed	2,800 00
Horses	1,000 00
Temporary clerk hire, necessary in case of many fires	350 00
Contingent expenses	2,000 00
Debts resulting from deficiencies in appropriations for years 1871, 1872, 1873, and 1874	10,000 00
Total	60,053 52

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Estimated expenses for the fiscal year commencing June 30, 1875, and ending June 30, 1876.

Pay of commissioners, officers, and men, including fire-alarm telegraph...	\$55,533 00
Repairs to apparatus	5,000 00
Repairs to houses.....	2,500 00
Repairs to harness.....	1,000 00
Supplies of all kinds	3,500 00
Fire-alarm telegraph	3,000 00
Washing.....	600 00
Horseshoeing.....	550 00
Fuel and gas.....	2,200 00
Horse-feed	4,800 00
Horses.....	1,500 00
Temporary clerk hire.....	500 00
Contingent expenses	4,000 00
Total.....	84,653 00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH WILLIAMS,

President Board of Fire Commissioners.

The Hon. THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF POLICE.

DEPARTMENT OF METROPOLITAN POLICE,
Office of the Board, Washington, November 20, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: Your recent request, through your secretary, to be furnished with estimates of amounts necessary to defray the proportion of the expenses of the metropolitan police to be paid by the local authorities of this District for the remainder of the present fiscal year and for the year ending June 30, 1876, was duly received.

By act of Congress approved June 23, 1874, making appropriations for the present fiscal year, the District authorities were required to appropriate the sum of \$103,765 towards defraying these expenses. The ordinance of the city of Washington, approved April 25, 1871, and act of the late District government of August 18, 1871, provides the payment of an additional sum equal to \$30,360. This sum added to that required by Congress to be provided, makes an aggregate of \$134,125 necessary to be furnished by the District of Columbia.

When, two years since, committees of Congress had in contemplation the propriety of increasing the proportion of expense of the police establishment to be borne by the local authorities, the question of a want of station-houses was mooted. The committees of the legislative council and assembly were consulted, and agreed to report necessary means to provide four additional stations. That additional amount, estimated at about \$120,000, added to the previous regular annual expenses, would make even a greater sum than that of \$207,890 appropriated by Congress. Hence the proposal for changing the proportion to be paid by the local authorities was not pressed. But, to this time, no provisions have been made for the erection of the greatly needed station-houses. It is deemed but proper, therefore, to call your attention to the fact that the requirement of Congress expressed in the fifteenth section of the act of August 6, 1861, (U. S. Statutes, vol. 12, p. 323,) for the local authorities to provide "all necessary accommodations," &c., has never

been carried into full effect. There has been but partial provision made, and that of a very limited and imperfect character. There is now an absolute necessity for four new buildings and extensive repairs to the central guard-house, used as the station for the fifth precinct.

A tabular statement has been prepared exhibiting the amounts required for salaries of officers as provided by law for the eight months from the 1st instant to the 30th June, 1875, and also for the year ending June 30, 1876.

Appended to this table are estimates of other expenses, incidental and contingent, required to embrace the respective periods named as nearly as they can readily be arrived at at this time.

Very respectfully,

WM. J. MURTAGH,
President Board of Police.

The COMMISSIONERS OF THE
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Estimates of amounts necessary to be provided for defraying the proportion of the expenses of the metropolitan police of the District of Columbia, required by law to be borne by the local authorities of the District of Columbia, from November 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875, and for the year ending June 30, 1876.

Capacity of employment.	Salaries for eight months, from November 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875.			Salaries for one year, from July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876.		
	Annual.	Monthly.	Total amounts for eight months.	Annual.	Monthly.	Total amounts for one year.
5 commissioners each.	\$125 00	\$10 00	\$816 25	\$125 00	\$10 00	\$1,225 00
1 treasurer	300 00		199 70	300 00		300 00
1 secretary	600 00	10 00	479 50	600 00	10 00	720 00
1 property-clerk	600 00	10 00	479 50	600 00	10 00	720 00
3 clerks each.	500 00	10 00	1,238 70	500 00	10 00	1,860 00
1 superintendent police-telegraph	500 00	10 00	412 90	500 00	10 00	620 00
3 police-surgeons each.	150 00	10 00	539 70	150 00	10 00	810 00
1 major and superintendent	870 00	10 00	659 25	870 00	10 00	990 00
1 captain and inspector	600 00	10 00	479 50	600 00	10 00	720 00
10 lieutenants each.	420 00	10 00	3,596 00	420 00	10 00	5,400 00
	Monthly.			Monthly.		
6 detectives each.	\$45 00	10 00	2,640 00	\$45 00	10 00	3,960 00
20 sergeants each.	32 50	10 00	6,800 00	32 50	10 00	10,200 00
300 privates each.	30 00	10 00	64,000 00	30 00	10 00	96,000 00
1 messenger	30 00	10 00	320 00	30 00	10 00	480 00
1 laborer	15 00		130 00	15 00		180 00
8 laborers at stations each.	30 00		1,920 00	30 00		2,880 00
Total salaries for eight months			84,701 00	Salaries for 1 year		127,065 00
<i>Incidental and contingent expenses.</i>						
Fuel—coal, (supplied for the present year)				158 tons, at, say, \$7		1,106 00
wood (supplied for the present year)				25 cords sawed and split, at \$10		250 00
Gas-lights			\$1,234 00			1,903 00
Ice			92 60			231 70
Washing			461 96			754 29
Bedding			185 00			1,064 50
Furniture, stoves, &c			410 75			1,133 30
Repairs, lime, whitewashing, and incidental expenses			182 00			576 00
Rent of stations			1,560 00			2,340 00
Total expenses for eight months			88,827 31	Expenses for 1 year		136,423 79

APPENDIX O.

DEPARTMENT OF METROPOLITAN POLICE,
Office of the Board, Washington, November 21, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: Your communication, by your secretary, of the 19th instant, was received after the estimates of District metropolitan police expenses, which embrace the month of November in the present fiscal year, had been prepared in accordance, as understood, with your previous request, and as answered yesterday.

With a view to comply, as far as practicable, with your more specific request of the 19th instant, estimates are herewith submitted, to embrace only that part of the present fiscal year commencing December 1, 1874, and ending June 30, 1875. This change, however, will only lessen the amounts of salaries by subtracting those for the month of November, and the items of gas, washing, and rents for that month.

Very respectfully,

WM. J. MURTAGH,
President.

The COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Estimates of amounts necessary to be provided for defraying the proportion of the expenses of the metropolitan police of the District of Columbia, required by law to be borne by the local authorities of the District of Columbia, from December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875.

Capacity.	Salaries.		Total am'ts for seven months.
	Annual.	Monthly.	
5 commissioners each..	\$125 00	\$10 00	\$715 00
1 treasurer.....	300 00		175 30
1 secretary.....	600 00	10 00	420 50
1 property-clerk.....	600 00	10 00	420 50
3 clerks..... each..	500 00	10 00	1,086 30
1 superintendent police-telegraph.....	500 00	10 00	362 10
3 police-surgeons..... each..	150 00	10 00	472 80
1 major and superintendent.....	870 00	10 00	578 25
1 captain and inspector.....	600 00	10 00	420 50
10 lieutenants..... each..	420 00	10 00	3,154 00
Monthly.			
6 detectives..... each..	45 00	10 00	2,310 00
20 sergeants..... do..	32 50	10 00	5,950 00
200 privates..... do..	30 00	10 00	56,000 00
1 messenger.....	30 00	10 00	250 00
1 laborer.....	15 00		105 00
8 laborers at stations..... each..	30 00		1,680 00
Total salaries.....			74,130 25
<i>Incidental expenses.</i>			
Gas.....	\$1,095 50		
Ice.....	92 60		
Washing.....	403 91		
Bedding.....	185 00		
Furniture, stoves, &c.....	410 75		
Repairs, lime, and incidental expenses.....	182 00		
Rent of stations.....	1,345 00		
			3,714 76
Total expenses for seven months.....			77,845 01

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN AND FOR
THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Franklin School-Building, November 20, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: The board of trustees of public schools, in reply to your communication of the 11th instant, has to present the following:

The whole number of pupils enrolled in the public schools of the District of Columbia for the school year ending August 31, 1874, was as follows:

White	11,512
Colored	6,327
Total	17,839

The whole number of teachers employed was 276.

The average number of pupils enrolled in private schools during the same period was 6,933.

Estimated number of pupils that will be enrolled in the public schools during the school year ending August 31, 1875, 19,000.

The number of youth of school age (six to seventeen years inclusive) in the District of Columbia, according to the United States census 1870, was, white, 21,177; colored, 10,494; total, 31,671.

In 1864 the whole number of pupils enrolled in all the public schools of the District of Columbia was about 5,000, and of this number the colored pupils did not exceed 200.

About 4,000 children are now compelled to attend schools in rented rooms, most of which are not well adapted to the purpose, and many are badly lighted and ventilated, damp and unhealthy. For these rooms, 68 in number, an annual rent of about \$20,000 is paid, and in addition a large sum is expended in fitting up and repairing them.

To purchase sites and erect suitable plain but substantial buildings to meet the present wants of the public schools of the District will require an expenditure of \$500,000.

The following statement and estimate of expenses is submitted:

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1874:

Salaries of teachers, officers, and janitors	\$222,574 78
Rent of school-rooms	14,692 76
Contingent expenses, including fuel, stove-fixtures, books, stationery, house-furnishing goods, repairs, printing annual report, blanks, &c., gas, night-work, insurance, medals, diplomas, &c.	73,785 36
School-furniture	1,042 70
Total	312,095 60

From July 1 to November 30, 1874:

Salaries of teachers, officers, and janitors	\$59,300 00
Rent of school-rooms	7,802 10
Contingent expenses, including fuel and stove-fixtures, books and stationery, house-furnishing goods, repairs, gas, advertising, printing, insurance, (partly estimated)	35,690 83
New furniture	3,890 58
Total	106,682 51

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From December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875 :

Salaries of teachers, officers, and janitors	\$180,000 00
Rent of school-rooms	10,922 90
Contingent expenses, including fuel, books, stationery, house-furnishing goods, repairs, printing annual report, blanks, &c., medals, diplomas, gas, night-work, insurance, &c.	35,000 00
New furniture (Georgetown schools)	5,000 00
Total	230,922 90

For the school year commencing July 1, 1875, and ending June 30, 1876 :

Salaries of teachers, officers, and janitors	\$265,000 00
Rent of school-rooms	22,000 00
Contingent expenses, including fuel, stove-fixtures, books, stationery, house-furnishing goods, repairs, printing annual report, minutes, and blanks, medals, diplomas, gas, night-work, insurance, &c.	90,000 00
New furniture	6,000 00
Total	383,000 00

The reasons for asking Congress to aid in establishing and supporting a system of public schools for the District of Columbia may be briefly stated as follows :

1. About one-third of the school-population is colored, composed largely of the "wards of the nation," who have come into the District during and since the war. They add but little, if anything, to the school-revenues.

2. About 30 per cent. of the enrollment in the white schools is composed of children whose parents or guardians are in the employ of the United States Government, and the school-revenues receive but little benefit from these residents.

3. The United States Government is the owner of about one-half of all the real estate in the District of Columbia.

4. The Government has from time to time made most liberal donations of public lands to aid in establishing and sustaining common schools in all the Territories as they became States.

The District of Columbia, the permanent seat of the Government, over which Congress exercises exclusive legislation in all cases whatsoever, has had no share in the distribution of these educational benefactions.

In considering the future government of the schools, the committee has not lost sight of their present condition.

There are now in the District white and colored schools, city and county schools, and these conditions must be regarded in forming an efficient organization for their management. The committee, therefore, recommend a general board of education for the District of Columbia, which shall exercise a general and uniform control over all the schools, and have power to create such school-districts and subordinate boards of trustees to attend to the local duties of these districts as the conditions above alluded to may require.

The following outline of such an organization is therefore suggested :

A board of education for the District of Columbia, to consist of seven members, to be appointed by the executive of said District, and be divided into three classes, the first and second classes to consist of two members each, and the third class of three members, one class to be appointed each year, and the term of office to be three years. This board of education to have full control of all public-school property and of all funds collected or appropriated for public schools in the District of Columbia, and to have power —

To appoint a secretary at a salary of not exceeding \$1,500 per annum, said secretary, in addition to his other duties, to make the disbursements and keep the accounts of the board ;

To continue and establish schools for the free education of all youth of school age resident within the District of Columbia ;

To fix the number and salaries of teachers and decide upon their qualifications, and to confirm the appointments of all teachers and remove them at pleasure ;

To fix the number and salaries of janitors and other employés ;

To make proper rules and regulations for the government of the schools, prescribe a course of study, and adopt text-books for the same ;

To appoint superintendents of schools, one of whom shall be assigned to the colored schools of Washington and Georgetown ;

To divide the District of Columbia into school-districts, the colored schools of Washington and Georgetown forming one district, and to appoint in each district officers to be designated trustees, who shall have charge of the schools in their respective districts, and perform such duties as may be prescribed by the board ;

To cause to be taken, once in two years, an enumeration of all unmarried youth, noting race, sex, and age of each youth between six and twenty-one years of age, inclusive.

It should be the duty of the board of education to disburse all funds appropriated for the use of the public schools of the District of Columbia, so that the schools for colored children shall receive "such a proportionate part of all moneys received or expended for public-school or educational purposes, including the cost of sites, buildings, furniture, books, and all other expenditures on account of schools as the colored children between the ages of six and sixteen years, inclusive, in the District of Columbia bear to the whole number of children, white and colored, between the same ages," and no discrimination shall be made in respect to the time when payments to the white and the colored schools shall be made ; to annually make to the executive of the District of Columbia a full report of their proceedings for the preceding year, rendering a full account of the condition of the schools and the expenditures for the same, and giving an estimate in detail of the amount of funds required during the next succeeding school year, and to furnish such information as may be required from time to time by the executive of the District.

Respectfully submitted.

W. W. CURTIS,
President.
JOHN H. BROOKS,
Secretary.

The COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

APPENDIX P.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 2, 1874.

GENTLEMEN : I deem it my duty to call your attention to the matter of the new school-house in Georgetown, and to request that in your report to Congress, should you consider it deserving of the same, special mention may be made of the matter, to the end that proper relief may be afforded in the premises.

In order to a full understanding of the case it may be proper to state briefly the history of the enterprise, with a further statement of the present condition of the building.

The wants of Georgetown in the way of school-buildings have long been seriously felt. The entire value of school-buildings and grounds for white schools in Georgetown, aside from the new building, is estimated at \$22,000. These buildings are none of them centrally located, and all are deficient in those conveniences and accommoda-

tions which are considered indispensable in modern school-buildings. They are filled to overflowing with pupils, and we are now renting two rooms for the purpose of relieving the other schools, besides occupying an old dwelling-house situate on the land bought for the new school-house. The schools are year by year steadily increasing, and further and better accommodations have been for five years a necessity. To meet these wants the project of building a large central school-house was started during the administration of Governor Cooke. Land was purchased in an excellent locality for the sum of \$13,000, a price far below its actual value, and appropriate legislation secured to commence the work.

This legislation embodied an appropriation of \$90,000, and also the proportion for the colored schools, in all about \$125,000. It authorized the anticipation of taxes and the borrowing of money, and created a building committee, consisting of the governor and the school-trustees of Georgetown, to take in charge the erection of the building.

Under this law a plan was adopted and a contract entered into with Mr. S. S. Hunt for the sum of \$69,115, and the work was commenced.

The sum of \$40,000 was borrowed from the trustees of the Linthicum Institute of Georgetown with which to meet the first payments on the work, and, under the authority of the legislative act before referred to, a special mortgage on the property was given as security therefor. When this amount was expended it was found to be impossible to secure further means to continue the work, owing to the unsettled state of affairs in the District.

The building at this time was roofed in, but was otherwise unprotected, and in that condition you found it when the government of the District passed into your hands. Every effort had been made by the building-committee and, the contractor to hasten the building to an early completion, but the collapse of the late District government left us powerless to raise means to continue the work.

There was no authority of law by which your honorable body could aid us in obtaining by loans sufficient funds to complete the edifice, and the slight school-revenues were utterly inadequate to meet more than the current expenses of the schools. The building was in danger of being injured by the elements, and, apart from the pressing need for larger school accommodations, there was an urgent necessity for proceeding with the work in order to save the amount already expended.

In view of this necessity, it was agreed upon by the honorable commissioners and the contractor that a small installment to be taken from the school-revenues should be paid to meet the most pressing wants of the contractor, and an informal assurance was given that the matter should be specially brought before Congress, with a recommendation that an appropriation be made to complete and save the building.

The work has been resumed, and is progressing as satisfactorily as can be expected under these unfavorable circumstances.

I earnestly petition your honorable body to lay the matter before Congress, and to recommend that an appropriation be made to pay off present indebtedness and complete the building, including the heating-apparatus, the gas-fixtures, the grading and fencing of the grounds, and the furnishing of the rooms, and the proportionate amount due under the law to the colored schools.

The accompanying detailed statement shows the amount required for this purpose. It is essential that this be provided at the earliest practicable day in order to save much that has already been expended, and I cannot too earnestly invoke your good offices in aid of the completion of this work.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

W. W. CURTIS,

President Board of Trustees.

The Hon. COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Statement of the expenses of the Georgetown school-building.

Contract price of building (exclusive of heating-apparatus, gas-fixtures, and plumbing)	\$69, 115
Heating-apparatus	6, 550
Plumbing	200
Gas-fixtures	1, 000
Furniture, including settees for large hall	4, 000
Grading and fencing grounds, including building of stone wall, removing old buildings, and fees of architect and superintendent	10, 000
Proportion due colored schools, $\frac{2}{3}$ per cent	36, 000
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Amount received from trustees Linthicum Institute	126, 865
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Balance for which an appropriation is required	40, 000
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	86, 865

APPENDIX Q.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
PUBLIC SCHOOLS, DISTRICT COLUMBIA,
November 20, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 19th instant, and, in compliance with the request therein contained, submit the within estimates of salaries and contingent expenses of the public schools of the District of Columbia.

We have the honor to be, gentlemen, your most obedient servants,

W. W. CURTIS,
President Board of Trustees.
JOHN H. BROOKS,
Secretary.

The Hon. COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Estimates of expenses of the public schools of the District of Columbia.

	Salaries of teachers, officers, and janitors.	Rent of school-rooms.	Repairs of school-houses.	Contingent expenses, including fuel, stoves, books, stationery, house-furnishing goods, printing annual report, blanks, insurance of school-property, medals, diplomas, gas, night-work, &c.	School-furniture.	Total.
From December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875:						
Public schools of Washington.	\$97,373 07	\$9,240 40	\$2,000 00	\$15,833 33	.....	\$124,446 50
Public schools of Georgetown.	10,223 31	337 50	150 00	5,500 00	\$5,000 00	21,210 81
Public schools of the county of Washington, (white and colored)	18,700 00	100 00	250 00	2,300 00	.....	21,350 00
Public schools of Washington and Georgetown for colored children	53,703 62	1,245 00	1,000 00	7,966 67	.....	63,915 29
Total	180,000 00	10,922 90	3,400 00	31,600 00	5,000 00	230,922 90
From July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876:						
Public schools of Washington.	146,471 00	20,000 00	16,500 00	32,700 00	3,400 00	219,071 00
Public schools of Georgetown.	13,600 00	.....	500 00	5,500 00	.....	19,600 00
Public schools of the county of Washington, (white and colored)	26,250 00	.....	3,500 00	3,750 00	1,000 00	34,500 00
Public schools of Washington and Georgetown for colored children	78,679 00	2,000 00	5,000 00	22,550 00	1,600 00	109,829 00
Total	265,000 00	22,000 00	25,500 00	64,500 00	6,000 00	383,000 00

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF THE WASHINGTON ASYLUM.

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 30, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: I respectfully submit the following report in reference to the Washington Asylum since the 20th day of June, 1874:

This institution is divided in two parts, one occupied by the poor, and known as the almshouse; the other by prisoners, and known as the work-house.

ALMSHOUSE.

On the 20th day of June there were 177 inmates in the almshouse; admitted since, 135; making a total of 312. Of this number there were discharged, 92; died, 31. Number of inmates in the house at the present time, 189. In addition to this number, 469 rations were furnished at the almshouse to the poor not inmates.

Of the 135 admitted since June 20, 70 were males, 62 females; 68 were white, and 64 colored. Of these 135, 41 were born in Virginia, 30 in the District of Columbia, 30 in Maryland, 14 in Ireland, 7 in Germany, 4 in England, 2 in New York, 2 in North Carolina, 1 in Connecticut, 1 in New Jersey, 1 in Maine, 1 in Pennsylvania, and 1 in Massachusetts.

WORK-HOUSE.

On the 20th day of June the number of prisoners confined in the work-house was 71; received since, 758; in all, 829. Discharged during the same period, 696; escaped, 7; died, 1—total, 704. Number now in work-house, 125.

Of the 758 prisoners admitted since June 20, 524 were male, 234 female; 425 were colored, and 333 white. Of these 758, 205 were born in Virginia, 198 in District of Columbia, 152 in Maryland, 26 in Pennsylvania, 17 in New York, 10 in Massachusetts, 5 in Georgia, 6 in New Jersey, 4 in Maine, 4 in Ohio, 4 in Delaware, 5 in Kentucky, 3 in Florida, 3 in Connecticut, 3 in North Carolina, 2 in West Virginia, 2 in Tennessee, 1 in Indiana, 1 in South Carolina, 1 in Mississippi, 1 in Michigan, 71 in Ireland, 14 in Germany, 8 in Scotland, 7 in England, 3 in France, and 2 in South America.

Of these 758, 28 were thirteen years of age and under, 79 were sixteen years and under, 87 were eighteen years and under, 131 were twenty-one years and under; that is, out of 758 prisoners, 325 were twenty-one years of age and under.

Number of patients treated in hospital department, 166; of these 79 were discharged, 31 died, and 56 remain. The accompanying report of the physician gives details of the hospital department.

The expenditures for the support and maintenance of the institution from June 20 to date amounts to \$11,222.72. The annexed statement gives these expenses in detail.

The report of the intendant, which I enclose, calls attention to the necessity that exists for a proper wash and bath house. He also recommends that the inmates of the almshouse be uniformed, and asks attention to other needs of the institution. The first recommendation should be adopted without delay. My only surprise is, how such an actual necessity for health and cleanliness should have been so long neglected. As to uniforming the inmates, this, I think, can be deferred for a little while, for the reason that I believe a reorganization of the whole system of charity and the care of the poor in this District is such an important necessity that it cannot much longer be deferred. The first step toward such a reorganization is to provide separate buildings for an almshouse and hospital.

Under present circumstances, the poor and the prisoners are under one roof, and while I believe every effort is made by the officers of the institution to keep the inmates separate, the very nature and construction of things as they now are tend toward a commingling. Aside from this, the present building is not well adapted for the proper care of

the poor and feeble, either by its locality, its furniture, or culinary arrangements. That is to say, if we form a judgment based on what we see here in private charitable institutions and elsewhere in public ones, these remarks will also apply in part to the work-house, and no favorable comparison can to-day be made between this institution and that of like character in other cities.

Attention is specially called to the large number of young persons confined from time to time in this institution. For instance, during the period that this report covers, viz, five months, there were 108 prisoners whose average age was thirteen and one-half years, 127 averaging eighteen years, and 121 averaging twenty years. Does not the law that consigns these youths of both sexes (the majority of whom are arrested for petty offenses) to the company of old and hardened characters need amending? The truth is, the present system of punishing crime puts the young offender on a pathway the end of which is inclosed by a penitentiary wall.

I respectfully suggest that on the completion of the new jail arrangements be made to send all prisoners there, the District paying its portion of the expense; the present building known as the Washington Asylum to be disposed of to the General Government for the purpose suggested in the last report of the Supervising Architect of the Treasury, viz, a house of reformation for fallen women. Such an institution is much needed, and would raise up those poor creatures, who are now cast off by the majority of their own sex and despised by the other.

In conclusion, I recommend that a new almshouse and hospital be built at some central point in the District, such an institution that will be creditable to the capital and its people, the management of which should be by law placed in the hands of citizens whose time and means would permit them to give the matter of poor relief the attention it so much needs.

The estimates for salaries and contingent expenses from December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875, and from July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876, are herewith inclosed.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

TIMOTHY LUBEY,
Commissioner Washington Asylum.

HON. COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

APPENDIX R.

Report of the hospital department of the Washington Asylum.

NOVEMBER 20, 1874.

SIR: I respectfully submit the following report: The number of patients in the hospital department on June 20 was 60; admitted since June 20, 106; making a total of 166 patients treated in the hospital department, of which number 79 were discharged, 31 died, and 56 remain in the hospital. Although the number of deaths may seem large, yet we have had no contagious diseases, the deaths being 8 phthisis pulmonalis, 4 senile debility, 4 general anasarca, 2 carcinoma uteri, 2 dysentery, 2 chronic bronchitis, 1 paralysis, 1 inanition, 1 abscess of abdomen, 1 pleurisy, 1 typhoid fever, 1 congestion of lungs, 1 ascitis, 1 peritonitis, 1 meningitis, 1 still-birth. The number of births, 9. Value of instruments, drugs, &c., on hand in dispensary, \$400.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

MOSES COOPER, M. D.,
Physician to Washington Asylum.

TIMOTHY LUBEY, Esq.,
Commissioner of Washington Asylum.

APPENDIX S.

Report of the intendant.

WASHINGTON ASYLUM, November 24, 1874.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit the following report of the Washington Asylum from June 29 to November 21, 1874, giving name, age, color, nativity, &c., of all persons received and discharged; also, the number of transient lodgers, and the number of rations issued to the same; also, an estimated value of asylum-building, hospitals, and other property belonging to the institution.

In reference to the inmates of the work-house, a number of the males have been, and are now, engaged in grading Nineteenth street east from B street south to Georgia avenue, a distance of 1,200 feet, at an average cut of 9 feet.

The honorable commissioners of the District of Columbia established a chain-gang September 1, 1874, since which time they have been kept at work on the streets in different parts of the District. The number so employed at present is twenty-four, and are capable of doing considerable work if properly looked after.

Others are engaged in manufacturing coffins, which are used for the burial of deceased paupers, whereby a considerable sum is saved the District annually, the cost being only that of the materials used.

On receipt of order from board of health, telegraphed to this institution, the coffins are furnished, and the ambulance-wagon is sent to whatever locality in the District the body may be lying, and it is then conveyed to, and buried in, the asylum-grounds, should the friends of the deceased have no other place of burial. The ambulance is also employed in conveying sick and disabled paupers to the asylum on order from proper authority.

The female inmates are employed in washing and sewing for both work-house and almshouse.

The majority of the paupers when they are admitted are in a filthy condition, and are sometimes covered with vermin, so that we are obliged to wash them and give them an entire suit of clothing. Many of these persons stay but a short time in the asylum; many inventing excuses to get permission to visit the city, and returning only when they want a new suit of clothes; hence it costs the District a considerable amount to furnish the paupers with clothing. I therefore recommend that there be some coarse but good strong material procured, and suits made here for all the inmates; the clothing to be uniformly made, in order that the paupers may be known by their clothes and prevent them from receiving charity on the streets, and thereby cause many to cease visiting the city.

If this mode of clothing be adopted, clean suits can be furnished every week, the clothing kept in good repair, and the inmates clean and healthy, at a much less cost than at present. I also recommend the erection of two plunge-baths and wash-rooms, one of each for males and one for females, which is an actual necessity, and will add to the health and comfort of the inmates of the institution.

I would respectfully state that as our city has increased in population, so also has the number of criminals increased, and to such an extent that the present work-house is inadequate to the demand.

When the present building was erected the records show the average number to be thirty-two; to-day we have one hundred and twenty-five, and will average at least that number through the entire year. I would, therefore, recommend that a separate building be erected for the work-house, which may be built 400 feet south of the present building, and thereby completely separating the criminals from the paupers. This building may be erected at a cost of from twenty to twenty-five thousand dollars, as the inmates could do a considerable portion of the work.

In view of building a new work-house, I would suggest that the present portion of the building now used for penitents be repaired and used for insane paupers, now sent to Saint Elizabeth's Hospital, United States Asylum for Insane.

I would respectfully state that the general health of the inmates has been better than for several years past.

Estimated value of asylum-building, hospitals, and out-houses, \$100,000; bedsteads and bedding, \$1,516.50; sewing-machine, \$60; furniture, \$102; two hundred and twenty-five yards of prison cloth, \$371.25; stoves, \$160; garden implements and tools, \$178.50; three carts, \$45; three wagons, \$220; one carriage, \$200; harness, \$73; live stock, \$475; drugs, medicines, &c., \$400.

I hereby transmit the following estimate of salaries and contingent expenses from December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875, also, from July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876. Also, for Georgetown Almshouse. Also, report of the physician to Washington Asylum.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JOS. F. HODGSON,
Intendant.

TIMOTHY LUBEY, Esq.,
Commissioner of Washington Asylum.

APPENDIX T.

Statement of expenditures on account of Washington Asylum, from July 1 to November 27, 1874.

To whom paid.	Salaries.	Fuel.	Groceries.	Marketing.	Meal, feed, &c.	Beef.	Dry goods and clothing.	Shoes.
Intendant and other employees	\$1,512 50							
T. E. Clark & Co.	\$1,369 28							
G. L. Sheriff	111 79							
Hall & Hume			2,784 76					
H. W. Hall, (bacon)			90 77					
R. Eichhorn, (bacon)			143 73					
J. F. Hodson				\$309 73				
T. H. Champlin					\$280 82			
C. F. Smith					46 86			
C. C. Carroll						\$210 10		
J. G. Carroll						1,117 67		
Wall, Robinson & Co.							\$1,305 59	
Yates & Mitchell							250 00	
Robert Ball								\$210 75
W. L. Sears								
Z. D. Gilman								
B. F. French								
N. B. Fugitt								
W. L. Wall & Co., auctioneers								
W. H. Garges & Brothers								
A. R. Shepherd & Co.								
Holtzclaw & Graham								
John McClelland								
E. G. Wheeler								
Total	1,512 50	1,481 07	3,019 26	309 73	327 68	1,327 77	1,555 59	210 75

To whom paid.	Drugs and medicines.	Stationery.	Lumber.	Horse and wagon.	Blacksmithing.	Pump.	Repairs.	Sundries.	Total.
Intendant and other employees									\$1,512 50
T. E. Clark & Co.									1,369 28
G. L. Sheriff									111 79
Hall & Hume									2,784 76
H. W. Hall, (bacon)									90 77
R. Eichhorn, (bacon)									143 73
J. F. Hodson									309 73
T. H. Champlin									280 82
C. F. Smith									46 86
C. C. Carroll									210 10
J. G. Carroll									1,117 67
Wall, Robinson & Co.									1,305 59
Yates & Mitchell									250 00
Robert Ball									210 75
W. L. Sears	\$245 21								245 21
Z. D. Gilman	386 02								386 02
B. F. French		\$11 25							11 25
N. B. Fugitt			\$240 05						240 05
W. L. Wall & Co., auctioneers				\$190 00					190 00
W. H. Garges & Brothers					\$105 34				105 34
A. R. Shepherd & Co.						\$50 00			50 00
Holtzclaw & Graham							\$60 00		60 00
John McClelland							120 00		120 00
E. G. Wheeler								\$70 50	70 50
Total	631 23	11 25	240 05	190 00	105 34	50 00	180 00	70 50	11,222 72

APPENDIX U V.

GEORGETOWN ALMSHOUSE.

Estimate for contingent expenses.

From December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875 :

Groceries	\$486 95
Beef	87 50
Bacon, ham, and lard	109 20
Clothing	70 00
Shoes	52 50
Stationery	1 75
Hardware, tinware, and tools	7 00
Paints, oils, and glass	14 00
Blacksmithing, &c.	3 50
Drugs and medicines	20 00
Contingent expenses	21 00

873 40

From July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876 :

Groceries	\$750 00
Beef	125 00
Bacon, ham, and lard	150 00
Clothing	120 00
Shoes	90 00
Stationery	3 00
Hardware, tinware, and tools	12 00
Paints, oils, and glass	24 00
Blacksmithing, &c.	6 00
Wood and coal	200 00
Drugs and medicines	50 00
Contingent expenses	36 00

1,566 00

December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875	\$873 40
July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876	1,566 00

Grand total 2,439 40

TIMOTHY LUBEX,
Commissioner Washington Asylum.

GEORGETOWN ALMSHOUSE.

ESTIMATE OF SALARIES.

December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875.

No.	Title.	Rate per year.	Time.	Amount.
1	Superintendent	\$500	7 months.	\$291 67
			Total	291 67

July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876.

No.	Title.	Rate per year.	Time.	Amount.
1	Superintendent	\$500	1 year.	\$500 00
			Total	500 00

Estimate from December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875	\$291 67
Estimate from July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876	500 00

Total 791 67

TIMOTHY LUBEX,
Commissioner Washington Asylum.

REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA. 115

Statement of expenditures on account of Georgetown almshouse from July 1 to November 27, 1874.

To whom paid.	Salaries.	Fuel.	Groceries.	Beef.	Clothing and dry-goods.	Shoes.	Drugs and medicines.	Hardware.	Provisions.	Total.
Intendant and other employes	\$273 34									\$273 34
T. E. Clark & Co		\$197 95								197 95
Hall & Hume			\$188 79							188 79
H. W. Hall			51 95							51 95
John H. Siss			131 98							131 98
H. Johnson				\$69 75						69 73
C. C. Carroll				39 70						39 70
Wall, Robinson & Co ..					\$78 62					78 62
Thomas Brown					22 12					22 12
Robert Ball						\$30 55				30 55
W. A. Newman						6 88				6 88
W. L. Sears							\$74 92			74 92
Buckey & Marbury								\$1 49		1 49
B. Gissel									\$11 95	11 95
	273 34	197 95	372 72	109 43	100 74	37 43	74 92	1 49	11 95	1,179 97

WASHINGTON ASYLUM.

ESTIMATE OF SALARIES.

December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875.

No.	Title.	Rate per year.	Time.	Amount.
1	Intendant	\$800	7 months.	\$466 67
1	Physician	480	7 months.	280 00
1	Clerk	300	7 months.	175 00
1	Baker	300	7 months.	175 00
1	Turnkey	150	7 months.	87 50
1	Ostler	120	7 months.	70 00
1	Gardener	600	7 months.	350 00
1	Assistant gardener ..	480	7 months.	280 00
1	Overseer	480	7 months.	280 00
	Total			2,164 17

July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876.

No.	Title.	Rate per year.	Time.	Amount.
1	Intendant	\$800	1 year.	\$800 00
1	Physician	480	1 year.	480 00
1	Clerk	300	1 year.	300 00
1	Baker	300	1 year.	300 00
1	Turnkey	150	1 year.	150 00
1	Ostler	120	1 year.	120 00
1	Gardener	600	1 year.	600 00
1	Assistant gardener ..	480	1 year.	480 00
1	Overseer	480	1 year.	480 00
	Total			3,710 00

Estimate from December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875..... \$2,164 17

Estimate from July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876..... 3,710 00

Grand total..... 5,874 17

TIMOTHY LUBEY,
Commissioner Washington Asylum.

WASHINGTON ASYLUM.

ESTIMATE OF CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

From December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875.

Groceries	\$4,500 00
Beef	1,711 50
Bacon, ham, and lard	400 00
Drugs, medicines, &c	875 00
Clothing	1,100 00
Shoes	500 00
Stationery	56 00
Hardware, tinware, and tools	175 00
Marketing	400 00
Paints, oils, and glass	150 00
Lumber for coffins	300 00
Blacksmithing, &c	150 00
Hay and straw	250 00
Contingent expenses	400 00
Total	10,967 50

From July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876.

Groceries	\$8,000 00
Beef	3,000 00
Bacon, ham, and lard	1,000 00
Drugs, medicines, &c	1,500 00
Clothing and bedding	2,000 00
Shoes	1,200 00
Stationery and printing	100 00
Hardware, tinware, and tools	300 00
Marketing	650 00
Paints, oils, and glass	250 00
Lumber for coffins	500 00
Blacksmithing	300 00
Hay and straw	450 00
Wood and coal	1,500 00
Contingent expenses	700 00
Total	21,450 00

December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875	10,967 50
July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876	21,450 00

Grand total	32,417 50
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TIMOTHY LUBEY,
Commissioner Washington Asylum.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,

Board of Health, Washington, December 7, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: The Board of Health of the District of Columbia, instituted under the provisions of section 26 of "An act to provide a government for the District of Columbia," approved February 21, 1871, cheerfully recognizing your authority to impose upon it such duties as to you may seem right and proper, additional to those imposed under the law creating it, not inconsistent with its peculiar sphere of action,

would respectfully report that, in obedience to your orders, it has assumed control and direction of the garbage-service; the superintendence of the burial of deceased poor; the appointment and supervision of physicians to the poor, and prescribing the duties of the same; the designation of apothecaries for furnishing medicines for the poor, and contracting for medical supplies; and the control and supervision of the Western burial-ground, (Holmead.)

Owing to the strict discipline to which the garbage-masters have been subjected, the service has been much more effectively and satisfactorily performed than ever before, and at a saving of one-fifth of the annual expense under previous systems. The number of loads of garbage removed by the collectors during the four months ending November 30, 1874, was 2,927.

Under the system instituted by the board, requiring a thorough investigation of each case presented before ordering a burial at the public expense, applications for this charity have become much less frequent, and the expense heretofore attending the work largely reduced.

The care of the sick poor, furnishing medical attendance and medicines for the same, with which the board was charged by your order, has entailed upon it much labor and grave responsibility; but under the system which it has inaugurated, it is believed that at no period in the history of the District of Columbia have its sick poor been so faithfully and zealously cared for as at the present time, while the reduction in the monthly expense attending the service is simply enormous. The average monthly expense for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1871, 1872, 1873, and 1874, was \$1,525.66; and for the three months ending November 30, 1874, it was only \$411.21, or something less than \$5,000 per year. Unless unforeseen emergencies arise, it is believed that the amount allowed by you for this charity, viz, \$8,000 per year, will be ample, and that the hope expressed by you in your communication of September 1, charging us with "the performance of this service," viz, "that the result will be satisfactory to all interested," will be fully realized. The number of poor persons treated by the physicians to the poor during the three months ending November 30, 1874, was 840. The number of burials at public expense in the same period was 49.

The following is a summary of the receipts and expenditures of the board for the five months ending November 30, 1874, from the funds of the District of Columbia, appropriated by act of Congress approved June 23, 1874:

Amount appropriated.....		\$32,220 00
Received September 13, 1874.....	\$5,000 00	
October 13, 1874.....	3,055 00	
November 7, 1874.....	2,685 00	
		10,740 00
Expended September, 1874.....	3,752 53	
October, 1874.....	2,830 90	
November, 1874.....	3,535 03	
		10,118 46
Balance on hand.....		621 54

Detailed statements of receipts and disbursements, with all vouchers pertaining thereto, have been forwarded to your office by the treasurer of the board on the first day of each month.

The board of health desires to express its most grateful thanks to the honorable commissioners of the District for the very cordial support they have at all times extended to it in the prosecution of its labors, and to acknowledge its great indebtedness to them for the very material aid they have so promptly rendered it as a co-ordinate branch of the

government, especially charged with the protection of the residents and sojourners at the nation's capital from the ravages of pestilence and death.

We have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servants,

CHRIS. C. COX,
T. S. VERDI,
JOHN M. LANGSTON,
D. W. BLISS,
JOHN MARBURY, JR.,

Board of Health District of Columbia.

Hon. COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING-FUND.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING-FUND,
Washington City, D. C., December 1, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: In reply to your request we respectfully submit the following report:

By act of assembly approved 19th August, 1871, creating the sinking-fund commission, it was made the duty of the commissioners to take entire charge and control of the management of the "funded and bonded debt" of the cities of Washington and Georgetown, the county of Washington, and the District of Columbia, then existing or which should thereafter be created; and they were directed to receive weekly from the treasurer of the District, "all moneys collected for account of the interest on or for the extinguishment of the debt, bonds, or stock" of said corporations. The commission was not fully organized, however, until 19th December following, and the first payments made by it on account of interest were for that falling due January 1, 1872, since which date all demands on that account have been regularly satisfied.

By act of Congress approved 8th May, 1872, it was made the duty of the commission "to fund the liabilities of the city of Washington, consisting of the floating debts and trust-funds found to be due on the first of June, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, and not exceeding one million one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, by the auditing commission, appointed to ascertain the amount of said liabilities, and reported to the legislative assembly under date of November eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, and January third, eighteen hundred and seventy-two," and to issue bonds for the payment thereof. The claims thus reported were very numerous, and the adjustment of them was attended with much labor and responsibility. But, in addition to this, by act of assembly approved June 20, 1872, the commission was further called upon in conjunction with the auditor and comptroller of the District of Columbia, to receive, examine, and audit such other claims as should be presented within nine months from that date, and authorized to issue bonds for the payment of such of them as should be approved. A full and detailed statement of payments made under these acts to June 7, 1873, was on that day presented to the legislative assembly, a copy of which will be found herewith; an abstract of payments made since that time to the date of this report is also submitted.

By act of assembly approved June 23, 1873, they were "authorized and empowered, on or about the first day of July, eighteen hundred and

seventy-three, to issue registered coupon-certificates, designated water-fund certificates, not exceeding in amount one hundred and sixty-six thousand six hundred and seventy-eight dollars and thirty-seven cents, (\$166,678.37,) that "being the amount of assessments for laying water-mains then unpaid and overdue, as shown by the report of the water-registrar," and a similar issue was authorized to be made each year thereafter for a like purpose. Certificates were accordingly issued in 1873 for \$166,650, of which \$166,350 were applied as contemplated by the act, leaving yet on hand \$300 available for future use. No certificates have since been issued, no call having been made therefor.

By act of assembly approved June 26, 1873, "creating drainage and sewerage sections," &c., the board of public works was authorized to issue certificates of indebtedness for work done under said act, to be "countersigned by the commissioners of the sinking-fund," not exceeding in amount two millions one hundred and twenty thousand dollars, and directed to deposit with the commissioners certain special certificates of assessment for the payment of the interest and principal thereof. Of the amount thus issued, there has been received and canceled, in payment of sewer-taxes, five hundred and twelve thousand six hundred and fifty dollars, leaving sixteen hundred and seven thousand three hundred and fifty dollars to be funded under the provisions of the act of 20th June last.

By act of assembly approved 26th June, 1873, "extending the time of payment of special assessments," the board of public works was authorized to issue "certificates of indebtedness for work done under the direction of the board, and chargeable to the private property benefited thereby," the same to be "countersigned for the commissioners of the sinking-fund and registered by the comptroller of the District, to an amount not exceeding in all two millions of dollars." To secure the payment of the principal and interest of these certificates, they were "required to deposit with the commissioners of the sinking-fund of the District of Columbia, all certificates thereafter issued by said board on account of assessments for special improvements against the property adjoining and benefited thereby, in accordance with the act of the legislative assembly of August tenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-one;" and such assessment-certificates and all payments thereon were directed "to be received, held, and applied under the direction of said commissioners, for the payment of the principal and interest of the certificates of indebtedness authorized by that act, and for no other use or purpose whatever."

The amount of certificates of indebtedness issued under this act was	\$2, 000, 000
Redeemed and canceled to 1st November, 1874, as per letter of deputy comptroller herewith	465, 400
Leaving unredeemed	1, 534, 600

To meet these in part, special-assessment certificates have already been placed in our hands to the amount of \$595,535.64. And we are officially informed that we shall not only receive enough more to pay off the remainder, but beyond that an excess of about \$1,800,000, for which, when collected, we shall have no use after payment of interest on the outstanding 8 per cent. certificates of indebtedness, and which may be applied, if a law be passed to authorize it, in liquidation of the general indebtedness of the District.

The amount of interest paid by us to this date is \$131,370.95. We

estimate that to be paid January 1, 1875, as about \$60,000, making \$191,370.95.

NEW 3.65 BONDS.

Section 7 of the act of Congress approved June 20, 1874, reads as follows :

SEC. 7. That the sinking-fund commissioners of said District are hereby continued; and it shall be the duty of said sinking-fund commissioners to cause bonds of the District of Columbia to be prepared, in sums of fifty and five hundred dollars, bearing date August first, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, payable fifty years after date, bearing interest at the rate of three and sixty-five hundredths per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, to be signed by the secretary and treasurer of said sinking-fund commissioners, and countersigned by the comptroller of said District, and sealed as the board may direct; which bonds shall be exempt from taxation by Federal, State, or municipal authority, engraved and printed at the expense of the District of Columbia, and in form not inconsistent herewith. And the faith of the United States is hereby pledged that the United States will, by proper proportional appropriations as contemplated in this act, and by causing to be levied upon the property within said District such taxes as will [do so] provide the revenues necessary to pay the interest on said bonds as the same may become due and payable, and create a sinking-fund for the payment of the principal thereof at maturity. Said bonds shall be numbered consecutively, and registered in the office of the comptroller of said District, and shall also be registered in the Office of the Register of the Treasury of the United States; for which last-named registration the Secretary of the Treasury shall make such provision as may be necessary. And said commissioners shall use all necessary means for the prevention of any unauthorized or fraudulent issue of any of such bonds, and the said sinking-fund commissioners are hereby authorized to exchange said bonds at par for like sums of any class of indebtedness in the preceding section of this act named, including sewer taxes or assessments paid, evidenced by certificates of the auditing board provided for in this act.

It will be observed that the language of the act as it finally passed is rendered somewhat obscure by the omission of the words "do so" where they appear in brackets. These words are stated by the committee, in its report of June 20, 1874, to be in the law as it passed, but seem to have been unaccountably omitted from the act as engrossed. The defect in the wording of the law and the absence of such an express and explicit guarantee by Congress as would satisfy counsel to whom it was referred have prevented the bonds from being taken as an investment by various financial institutions in the larger cities, and being thus dependent upon the local market for support has caused them to sell for a less price than was anticipated when the act was under consideration. In preparing the bonds, the commissioners have adhered to the language of the act as approved, but would suggest that Congress take the proper steps to correct its phraseology. The bonds were prepared in accordance with law, and the first were ready for issue on the 20th day of October. Previously, we had submitted to the President certain questions concerning the bonds, which were referred to the Attorney-General, and are by him answered in the following communication:

Letter of the Attorney-General.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
Washington, August 11, 1874.

SIR: I have the honor to state that I have considered the question submitted by the sinking-fund commissioners of the District of Columbia in their communication to you dated the 22d ultimo, which, with the brief mentioned therein, you were pleased to refer to me on the 27th ultimo in accordance with their request.

Those questions relate to the bonds which, by the seventh section of the act of June 20, 1874, it is made the duty of the sinking-fund commissioners of the District to cause to be prepared, and which they are authorized to exchange at par for like sums of certain indebtedness of the District referred to in that section; and the point seems to be whether the principal and interest of these bonds are intended by the statute to be payable in coin or in lawful money of the United States.

In the first place, it is to be observed that the statute, of itself, contains no specific directions on that point. It requires the commissioners to cause bonds of the District

of Columbia "to be prepared in sums of fifty and five hundred dollars, bearing date August one, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, payable fifty years after date, bearing interest at the rate of three and sixty-five hundredths per centum per annum, payable semi-annually." &c.

Here, it is plain, no authority is conferred upon the commissioners, either directly or indirectly, to make the principal and interest of the bonds payable in coin by expressing on their face that the principal and interest thereof will be paid in coin; and, in the absence of such authority, I conceive that it is not competent to them, in preparing the bonds, to make them so payable. Even in the case of *United States bonds* it is well known that the practice of the Government, when issuing them, has been not to express upon their face that the principal and interest thereof will be paid in coin unless the law authorizing their issue in positive terms provides that they shall be thus paid. On the other hand, the commissioners are not compelled to make, in a corresponding manner, the principal and interest of the bonds payable in lawful money or currency. In my opinion, their duty as to the preparation of the bonds, will be discharged in entire conformity with the requirements of the law by making them payable in *dollars* simply, without introducing any qualification therein respecting the *kind of money* in which they are to be paid.

Supposing the bonds to be prepared without any such qualification, the inquiry now presents itself as to the *intention of the statute* in regard to the payment of the principal and interest thereof. So far as that intention may be gathered from the language of the law itself, the scope and purpose of the provision authorizing the issue of the bonds, and the peculiar facts and circumstances upon which the action of Congress in the premises was based, the only reasonable conclusion that can be deduced therefrom appears to my mind, after careful consideration of the subject, to be this, that such payment is not intended by the statute to be made solely and exclusively in coin, but, on the contrary, that it is thereby intended to be made in whatever now constitutes, or shall, at the time, constitute lawful money of the United States.

Congress has pledged the faith of the United States to provide the revenue necessary for the payment of both the principal and interest of the bonds by making proportional appropriations as contemplated in the act, and by causing taxes to be levied on the property of the District for that purpose. The proportional appropriations so to be made and the taxes so to be levied were unquestionably meant to be paid in such money as the Government ordinarily disburses in discharge of its indebtedness and as it ordinarily receives in payment of its internal taxes; and the provision just referred to may, I think, be looked upon as indicating the character or kind of money in which Congress contemplated the principal and interest of the bonds to be paid. The views on this subject presented in the brief which accompanied the communication of the commissioners are in the main founded on a supposed connection or identity, as to subject-matter, between the various acts of Congress heretofore passed, providing for the issue of, or relating to, the securities or bonds of the *United States* and the above-mentioned act authorizing the issue of "bonds of the *District of Columbia*."

But it is very manifest that these acts cannot with propriety be regarded as in *pari materia*; and hence it would seem that the provisions of the former acts, and the reasons for the interpretation given thereto, touching the payment of the principal and interest of the bonds to which they refer, are not admissible in explanation of the latter act, and cannot be legitimately invoked for the purpose of determining its meaning with respect to the payment of the principal and interest of the bonds therein named.

I am, sir, with great respect, your obedient servant,

GEORGE H. WILLIAMS,
Attorney-General.

The PRESIDENT.

The first coupon falling due February 1, 1875, we would here suggest that if the interest in question could be made gold interest, the price of the bonds, and therefore the credit of the District of Columbia, would be thereby considerably enhanced, probably at least 10 per cent. The additional charge for premium on the gold would be, at 10 per cent., 36½ cents per annum on each hundred dollars. This for a period of, say, four years, (within which time it is probable specie payment will be attained,) would amount to but \$1.46 per hundred dollars; but as the premium may be reduced in that time, it will amount to a proportionably smaller sum. This would make a gain to the community receiving the bonds of \$8.54 on each hundred dollars, so far as the bonds were paid out to our own citizens, and probably result in permanently placing a large proportion of the loan abroad, where the long period the bonds

have to run would be a desirable feature, and the low rate of interest less objectionable than at home.

The amount of auditor's certificates so far converted is \$2,088,168.73.

Many claimants have abstained from converting the certificates of the board of audit under the impression that they bear interest and constitute a claim against the District of Columbia government for which some other and better mode of payment will be devised or may be enforced. Possibly, the appreciation of the bonds which would result from an adoption of the recommendation to make the interest payable in gold, together with the clear guarantee of the United States Government, and a declaration that the conversion of the certificates of the board of audit would cease after a given time, would cause the whole, or nearly the whole, to be funded as contemplated in the act of Congress. A careful record is kept of those who have converted certificates, should it be deemed proper hereafter to offer better terms to those who have refused to convert, in order that all may be on the same footing.

It would much conduce to the convenience of the holders of these bonds that authority be given by Congress for the issue of registered in lieu of coupon bonds when desired, and that the interest on both classes be made payable through the officers of the Treasury of the United States.

The operations of the sinking fund commission have been from its origin more those of an auditing and funding board, owing to the duties imposed on it by the legislature of settling up finally the financial affairs of the late corporations of Washington, Georgetown, and the levy court, and by act of Congress in funding the floating debt of the District into the new 3.65 bonds. The District of Columbia authorities have as yet failed to turn over to this commission any funds applicable to the purchase of bonds for the sinking-fund, except the ten-year bonds of the late corporation of Washington; those have been bought in to the extent of \$93,750, and a small purchase of water-bonds to the extent of \$9,000, for which the money was specifically furnished by the late governor and the purchase directed by him. Other funds, belonging to the late corporation of Washington, have been absorbed in the payment of the principal and interest of the 7-30 bonds of the city, which fell due July 30, 1873, to the extent of \$518,352.11, leaving the sinking-fund also indebted for the payment of loans incurred in paying off the bonds referred to, \$392,922.63.

The legislature provided no means of meeting these maturing obligations, except by the issue of new bonds under act of June 20, 1872; but at the time the 7-30 bonds fell due, it was impossible to negotiate the bonds provided under that act without a great sacrifice, hence the necessity for the temporary loans. These thirty-year bonds could now probably be sold at a reasonable price compared to what other District of Columbia bonds have brought, but the commissioners are forbidden by act of Congress from selling at less than par. So far, they have not been able to negotiate them at that rate. The successful negotiation of the bonds would re-instate the various funds of the late corporation of Washington. The bonds now held by the commission for that purpose appear in the list of bonded debt of the District of Columbia, under its appropriate heading, thirty-year bonds, and are on hand to the amount of \$672,700. We are also officially informed that the commissioners of the District hold \$450,000 of the same issue of bonds and \$12,000 of the permanent-improvement 7 per cent. bonds. On the 21st instant, the commission advertised for proposals for the purchase of \$100,000 in ten-year bonds of the late corporation of Washington, to be

paid for in the thirty-year 6 per cent. gold bonds referred to above, at par. The commission met on the 27th instant pursuant to the terms of the notice to consider proposals, but none were received.

We have been requested by different influential parties to make some suggestions in regard to the funding of the indebtedness of the District; but the whole subject being now before a joint committee of Congress in connection with the question of a permanent form of government, the relations of the General Government to the District and its obligations, we deem it out of place to do more than make a general recommendation to that effect, not including in this recommendation the fifty-year bonds, which are now being issued under direction of Congress. Calling your attention, however, to the numerous forms in which the debt of the District and late corporations is evidenced, as exhibited in statement hereto appended, we trust that some measure will be adopted looking to its conversion into a harmonious shape, provided with such guarantees as to interest and sinking-fund as shall secure simplicity in management, uniformity, and such full credit as will cause District bonds to rank with those of other well-managed municipalities, and justify the conversion of the present varied and inconvenient forms of debt.

A moment's consideration will show the impossibility of placing in any other than the home market a number of small loans maturing at different times, bearing different rates of interest, and under different designations. We forbear to express any opinion whether it would be better for the Government to assume the debt under such equitable conditions as Congress in its wisdom might determine, or to authorize the District government to issue bonds under the proper guarantee of the United States, both as to the principal and interest, but certainly feel justified in recommending that one uniform bond (to be either registered or coupon, at option of the holder) be authorized, into which our present issues may be funded.

The following account will show the amount of money and bonds which have been received by the commissioners from the District of Columbia authorities and from other sources, and the disposition which has been made of the same, to the date of this report. In closing our report, we would acknowledge our indebtedness to the gentlemen detached from your office for their able assistance in the arduous duty of its preparation, and in a more special manner to Mr. Gathrie, the chief of the division of accounts of the United States Treasurer's office and his corps of assistants, for their aid during the past four weeks in reviewing, verifying, and more perfectly systematizing the manifold accounts of our commission from its first beginning to this date.

We have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servants,

H. M. SWEENEY,
LEWIS J. DAVIS,
W. W. CORCORAN,
MOSES KELLY.

Commissioners of the Sinking-Fund.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

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APPENDIX W.

EXHIBIT OF CLAIMS PAID AND STOCK REDEEMED FROM JUNE 7, 1873, TO NOVEMBER 30, 1874.

Payment of 3-year 7 $\frac{3}{10}$ bonds. (\$502,650 outstanding.)

1873.			
July	30. F. M. Jarboe.....	\$150	\$5 47 \$155 47
	30. William Enwright.....	50	1 82 51 82
	30. Thomas Manning.....	50	1 82 51 82
	30. Mrs. Janet Walker.....	303	10 95 310 95
	30. First National Bank of Washington for A. F. McWilliams.....	550	20 07 570 07
	30. James McDonald.....	50	1 82 51 82
	30. Mary E. French.....	1,300	47 45 1,347 45
	30. Sarita M. Brady.....	2,750	100 37 2,850 37
	30. H. J. Fegan.....	650	23 72 673 72
	30. Charles Miller.....	200	7 30 207 30
	30. John H. Brown.....	100	3 65 103 65
	30. Blanche Lacey.....	500	18 25 518 25
	30. L. E. Colliere.....	250	9 12 259 12
	30. Mrs. M. R. Grey.....	1,300	47 45 1,347 45
	30. William McPyncheon.....	1,000	36 50 1,036 50
	30. John R. Hunt.....	950	34 67 984 67
	30. W. S. Roberts.....	150	5 47 155 47
	30. Emeline M. Eddie.....	1,500	54 75 1,554 75
	30. George W. Hugueley.....	300	10 95 310 95
	30. Dr. A. T. Augusta.....	250	9 12 259 12
	30. Joseph K. Roberts.....	4,200	153 30 4,353 30
	30. C. W. Bergmann.....	200	7 30 207 30
	30. Washington City Savings Bank.....	3,500	127 75 3,627 75
	30. Dennis Barrett.....	100	3 65 103 65
	30. Rev. J. L. Elliott.....	600	21 90 621 90
	30. Joseph S. Stettinms.....	200	7 30 207 30
	30. John Ogden.....	3,500	127 75 3,627 75
	30. Miss Eliza Keating.....	100	3 65 103 65
	30. Lewis Johnson & Co.....	50	1 82 51 82
	30. George Francis.....	1,000	36 50 1,036 50
	30. Second National Bank.....	1,000	36 50 1,036 50
	30. Thomas Bentley.....	550	20 07 570 07
	30. J. W. Orme.....	450	16 42 466 42
	30. Joseph H. Davidson.....	1,050	38 32 1,088 32
	30. Bryan Brothers.....	200	7 30 207 30
	30. D. Callahan.....	1,700	62 05 1,762 05
	30. William H. Scott.....	1,200	43 80 1,243 80
	30. J. O. Stanton.....	1,000	36 50 1,036 50
	30. John Shanahan.....	950	34 67 984 67
	30. J. A. Brown.....	150	5 47 155 47
	30. William H. Armstrong.....	500	18 25 518 25
	30. William Mayse.....	2,300	83 95 2,383 95
	30. George Emmert.....	100	3 65 103 65
	30. William F. Crane.....	200	7 30 207 30
	30. Judge W. A. Richardson.....	40,440	1,474 60 41,914 60
	30. R. R. Crawford.....	4,350	158 77 4,508 77
	30. Mary Magrath.....	50	1 82 51 82
	30. Robert Reyburn.....	3,700	135 05 3,835 05
	30. L. E. Colliere.....	50	1 82 51 82
	30. Endicott King.....	850	31 02 881 02
	30. C. E. Nyman.....	50	1 82 51 82
	31. Washington City Savings Bank.....	16,200	591 30 16,791 30
	31. F. G. Middleton.....	50	1 82 51 82
	31. George W. Brown.....	50	1 82 51 82
	31. G. D. Kean.....	200	7 30 207 30
	31. M. M. Billing.....	50	1 82 51 82
	31. Riggs & Co.....	18,700	682 55 19,382 55
	31. National Bank Republic.....	4,700	171 55 4,871 55
	31. Bank of Washington.....	4,200	153 30 4,353 30
	31. John Willey.....	150	5 47 155 47
	31. Middleton & Co.....	11,000	401 50 11,401 50
	31. Lewis Johnson & Co.....	6,900	251 85 7,151 85

1873.			
July	31. Bank of Washington	\$20, 200	\$737 30
Aug.	1. B. P. Snyder	100	3 65
	2. German American Savings Bank	3, 400	124 10
	2. Dr. J. H. Baxter	1, 300	47 45
	2. Hanora Rundlett	100	3 65
	2. J. Huntington	200	7 30
	2. B. A. Janvier	1, 050	38 32
	2. James H. Moody	600	21 90
	2. Thomas Shea	50	1 82
	2. J. A. Kennedy	100	3 65
	2. L. B. Allyn	650	23 72
	2. George F. Robinson	200	7 30
	2. Washington City Savings Bank	7, 800	284 69
	2. M. Alig	150	5 47
	2. Riggs & Co	350	12 77
	2. A. W. Riley	200	7 30
	2. Joseph Anthony	1, 500	54 75
	2. Mrs. A. B. Wolfe	950	34 67
	2. J. N. Whitney	150	5 47
	2. First National Bank	7, 500	273 75
	2. Dickson & King	9, 400	343 10
	4. Endicott King	600	21 90
	4. C. A. Beavans	1, 550	56 57
	4. W. W. Hough	1, 550	56 57
	4. Pettitt & Dripps	1, 250	45 62
	4. Geo. H. B. White	100	3 65
	4. Riggs & Co.	2, 500	91 25
	4. J. D. Clary	300	10 95
	4. Geo. W. Marley	4, 350	158 77
	4. J. M. Brodhead	1, 300	47 45
	4. Isaac Hazlett	3, 300	120 45
	4. Wm. H. Thumert	1, 050	38 32
	5. Z. Richards	500	18 25
	5. Thos. C. Jones, for Wm. Fletcher	300	10 95
	5. Chas. H. Holmead	850	31 02
	5. Thos. Parker	3, 500	127 75
	5. W. H. Slater	1, 050	38 32
	5. Urias Hurst	50	1 82
	5. Miss M. J. Marsh	100	3 65
	5. Edward L. Wells	650	23 72
	5. Thos. Bayne	2, 850	104 02
	5. W. L. Sears	1, 850	67 52
	5. Jas. Donnelly	950	34 67
	5. J. H. Squire & Co.	100	3 65
	5. Mrs. Barbara Bopp	200	7 30
	5. Jno. S. Crocker	200	7 30
	5. Geo. Lowery	1, 500	54 75
	5. National Savings Bank	900	32 85
	6. J. C. Willard	24, 700	901 55
	7. Firemen's Insurance Company	6, 100	220 82
	7. Mrs. Mary M. Duffy	100	3 65
	7. W. W. Metcalf	100	3 65
	7. John Grinder	650	23 72
	7. Geo. W. Philips	2, 300	83 95
	7. H. C. McCauley	50	1 82
	7. Washington City Savings Bank	100	3 65
	7. A. F. Wight	250	9 12
	7. Samuel R. Gittings	100	3 65
	7. German American Savings Bank	1, 750	63 87
	7. T. Edward Clark	500	18 35
	7. Frederick Bates	1, 500	54 75
	7. W. McK. Tucker	9, 500	346 75
	9. Washington City Savings Bank	43, 000	1, 569 50
	9. Irving Gibson	50	1 82
	9. A. Wallace	600	21 90
	9. F. Tarton	50	1 82
	9. Jno. C. Smith, D. D	1, 000	36 50
	9. R. Eichorn	200	7 30
	9. H. K. Randall	50	1 82

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1873.			
Aug.	9. N. B. Clark & Co.....	\$50	\$1 82
	9. R. Knapp.....	100	3 65
	9. Lewis Johnson & Co.....	1,800	65 70
	9. Geo. F. Gulick.....	300	10 95
	9. H. J. Ellwood.....	50	1 82
	9. Edward Clark.....	1,000	36 50
	9. John Mallatesta.....	200	7 30
	9. Jno. Jay Knox.....	300	10 95
	9. E. W. Knowles.....	150	5 47
	9. W. S. Hurley.....	950	34 67
	11. J. N. Prior.....	700	25 55
	11. Freedman's Savings and Trust Co.....	400	14 60
	11. Mrs. Ellen Walsh.....	600	21 90
	11. Riggs & Co.....	650	23 72
	11. J. Harrison Johnson.....	200	7 30
	11. Edward Owen.....	350	12 77
	11. Lewis Johnson & Co.....	1,650	60 22
	11. Washington City Savings Bank.....	100	3 65
	11. Second National Bank.....	5,650	206 22
	11. Smith & Wimsatt.....	50	1 82
	11. Wm. B. Orme.....	3,300	120 45
	12. Riggs & Co.....	550	20 07
	12. Somerville & Leitch.....	200	7 30
	12. Lewis Mann.....	700	25 55
	12. Francis Edelin.....	1,300	47 45
	12. G. A. W. Randall.....	50	1 82
	12. P. Glennan.....	1,200	43 80
	12. Theo. Shekels.....	100	3 65
	12. Jno. McL. Bruil.....	100	3 65
	12. Jay Cooke & Co.....	900	32 85
	12. Jno. H. Wallis.....	100	3 65
	12. Thos. H. Hines.....	200	7 30
	12. German-American Savings Bank.....	100	3 65
	12. Wm. E. Hallaran.....	200	7 30
	12. Michael Green.....	2,450	89 42
	12. Mrs. Mary A. Forsyth.....	900	32 85
	12. Chas. E. White, teller.....	250	9 12
	13. Washington City Savings Bank.....	2,200	80 30
	13. Jay Cooke & Co.....	1,900	69 35
	13. D. B. Brown.....	500	18 25
	13. J. W. Deeble, secretary Potomac-Insur- ance Company.....	3,000	109 50
	13. D. W. McGrath.....	350	12 77
	13. William J. Rhees.....	350	12 77
	13. William Myers.....	150	5 47
	13. H. A. Olcott.....	300	10 95
	13. Bank of Washington.....	3,200	116 80
	13. Mary Belle.....	750	27 37
	13. Dr. G. P. Fenwick.....	200	7 30
	13. Silas Downing.....	50	1 82
	13. Emilis Agnese.....	1,050	38 32
	13. William P. O'Connor.....	1,250	45 62
	13. Charles W. Pettit.....	100	3 65
	13. John L. Cameron.....	1,500	54 75
	13. Second National Bank.....	600	21 90
	13. Mrs. B. B. French.....	850	31 02
	14. R. G. Campbell.....	50	1 82
	14. Middleton & Co.....	150	5 47
	14. C. Rosner.....	400	14 60
	14. M. Caney.....	500	18 25
	14. J. T. Lenman.....	1,650	60 22
	14. A. C. West.....	200	7 30
	14. J. & J. E. Libbey.....	200	7 30
	14. Riggs & Co.....	400	14 60
	14. J. G. Robinson, jr.....	200	7 30
	14. Jay Cooke & Co.....	600	21 90
	14. J. T. Lenman.....	50	1 82
	14. J. H. Johnson.....	50	1 82
	14. A. Lepreux.....	300	10 95

1873.			
Aug.	14. John A. Baker	\$350	\$31 02
	14. A. C. Richards	500	18 25
	14. Middleton & Co	800	29 20
	14. E. G. Emack	1, 150	41 97
	14. Miss Ella Thompson	200	7 30
	14. Beall & Baker	150	5 47
	14. Washington City Savings Bank	150	5 47
	14. Sarah Campbell	250	9 12
	14. John Wise	100	3 65
	25. First National Bank	800	29 20
	25. Mrs. Sarah A. Coffin	450	16 42
	25. John T. Howe	100	3 65
	25. William L. Dunlop	50	1 82
	25. Jacob Miller	50	1 82
	25. Olivia Van Riswick	600	21 90
	25. Patrick Corcoran	50	1 82
	25. Lewis Porter	1, 200	43 80
	25. T. A. G. Todd	150	5 47
	25. John Clark	300	10 95
	25. P. Wallach	50	1 82
	25. Columbia National Bank, Pa	2, 100	76 65
	25. Lewis Ross	1, 200	43 80
	25. B. W. Reed	5, 000	182 50
	26. Riggs & Co	150	5 47
	26. J. Holt	9, 500	346 75
	26. F. K. Rawlings	5, 150	187 97
	26. E. S. Friederich	300	10 95
	27. B. T. Trueworthy	50	1 82
	27. Mrs. Hansell	50	1 82
	27. R. W. Hardy	50	1 82
	27. Lewis H. Snyder	50	1 82
	27. Daniel F. Crump	250	9 12
	27. Washington City Savings Bank	3, 650	133 22
	27. Henry D. Gunnell	800	29 20
	27. National Savings Bank	1, 000	36 50
	27. Frank Hume	50	1 82
	27. Lewis Ross	300	10 95
	28. P. C. Coll	2, 000	73 00
	28. William Murphy	50	1 82
	28. Elizabeth Behrens	150	5 47
	28. Charles Lyman	1, 250	45 62
	28. Samuel Nelson	50	1 82
	28. J. L. Fowler	50	1 82
	28. Bank of Washington	3, 800	138 70
	28. Charles E. White, teller	950	34 67
	28. James E. Boteler	100	3 65
	28. W. J. Donovan	50	1 82
	28. Charles E. White, teller	200	7 30
	29. J. A. Ruff, treasurer	350	12 77
	29. James E. Morgan	1, 400	51 10
	29. George R. Herrick	200	7 30
	29. James Fraser	50	1 82
	29. J. F. B. Pursell	150	5 47
	29. F. Schneider	150	5 47
	29. James Smith	150	5 47
	29. Washington City Savings Bank	750	27 37
	29. Richard Marshall	150	5 47
	29. A. Elliott, jr	100	3 65
	29. National Metropolitan Fire Insurance Company	3, 400	124 10
	29. Morton O'Donough	200	7 30
	29. John A. Wallace	100	3 65
	29. David Bell	200	7 30
	29. Rev. S. A. Wilson	1, 050	38 32
	29. Hugh Leddy	1, 500	54 75
	29. W. F. Payne	50	1 82
	29. Mrs. David A. Hall	50	1 82
	29. Cyrus S. King	100	3 65
	29. Luther Martin	50	1 82

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1873.				
Aug.	29. A. B. Kelly.....	\$100	\$3 65	\$103 65
	29. National Metropolitan Bank.....	100	3 65	103 65
	29. Jay Cooke & Co.....	2,000	73 00	2,073 00
	30. Charles Ruppert.....	100	3 65	103 65
	30. Thomas M. Williams.....	100	3 65	103 65
	30. Amelia J. Rowland.....	100	3 65	103 65
	30. Washington City Savings Bank.....	150	5 47	155 47
	30. J. B. Brannan.....	200	7 30	207 39
	30. J. F. Boiscan.....	100	3 65	103 65
	30. John T. Hoover.....	50	1 82	51 82
	30. Miss Margaret K. Simpson.....	400	14 60	414 60
	30. T. J. Triplett.....	50	1 82	51 82
	30. Catharine E. Brown.....	50	1 82	51 82
	30. Sarah Brown.....	50	1 82	51 82
	30. James C. Cross.....	150	5 47	155 47
	30. Bank of Washington.....	50	1 82	51 82
	30. Elizabeth Behrens.....	50	1 82	51 82
	30. T. P. Simpson.....	2,000	73 00	2,073 00
	30. Dr. May.....	100	3 65	103 65
	30. James H. Richards.....	150	5 47	155 47
	30. Mary Dooyer.....	50	1 82	51 82
	30. H. Berckhardt.....	50	1 82	51 82
Sept.	1. George Erskine.....	1,000	36 50	1,036 50
	1. George A. Bohrer.....	100	3 65	103 65
	2. William T. Murphy.....	50	1 82	51 82
	2. John H. Goddard.....	3,050	111 32	3,161 32
	2. C. W. Hays.....	300	10 95	310 95
	2. Washington Gas-light Co.....	10,000	365 00	10,365 00
	2. Interest to date on \$10,000 held by the Washington Gas-light Co.....		68 00	68 00
	2. Joshua Cooke.....	400	14 60	414 60
	2. J. Q. Kern.....	500	18 25	518 25
	2. R. Cole.....	100	3 65	103 65
	2. Robert Boyd.....	100	3 65	103 65
	3. J. J. Sanborn.....	150	5 47	155 47
	3. William Murphy.....	100	3 65	103 65
	3. G. S. Palmer.....	2,000	73 00	2,073 02
	4. Mary Slettly.....	50	1 82	51 80
	5. Washington Gas-light Company.....	20,000	730 00	20,730 00
	5. Washington Gas-light Company, in- terest on \$20,000 to date.....		148 00	148 00
	5. J. B. Rocca.....	3,600	131 40	3,731 40
	6. Marie L. Walker.....	100	3 65	103 65
	6. James L. Barbonr.....	150	5 47	155 47
	8. Edmonia Semmes.....	50	1 82	51 82
	9. B. L. Jackson.....	50	1 82	51 82
	10. Henry Thorn.....	100	3 65	103 65
	11. J. A. Ruff, treasurer.....	150	5 47	155 47
	12. William McLean.....	50	1 82	51 82
	13. M. W. Galt.....	100	3 65	103 65
	16. A. Thomas.....	100	3 65	103 65
	17. G. W. Stickney, actuary.....	250	9 12	259 12
	18. Thomas W. Philips.....	350	12 77	362 77
	18. James E. Morgan.....	50	1 82	51 82
	19. Edward Clark.....	100	3 65	103 65
	25. John Butler.....	550	20 07	570 07
	25. John McPherson.....	500	18 25	518 25
	27. M. W. Galt.....	100	3 65	103 65
	27. Mary E. R. Nevitt.....	150	5 47	155 47
	27. Philip H. Ward.....	50	1 82	51 82
Oct.	1. S. J. Bowen.....	150	5 47	155 47
	2. Fielder Magruder.....	200	7 30	207 30
	4. William Orme.....	450	16 42	466 42
	4. George R. Rittenhouse.....	650	23 72	673 72
	7. H. Browning.....	250	9 12	259 12
	8. John W. Corson.....	150	5 47	155 47
	16. J. A. Prescott.....	200	7 30	207 30
	21. A. Fendall.....	50	1 82	51 82
	22. Valentine Brizzolara.....	200	7 30	207 30

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Oct.	27. Judge Wylie.....	\$100	\$3 65	\$103 65
	27. Edward Hartley	500	18 25	518 25
	30. J. W. Whelply	200	7 30	207 30
	31. W. B. Moses	700	25 55	725 55
Nov.	11. Delphy Johnson	50	1 82	51 82
	12. J. F. N. Wilkinson	100	3 65	103 65
	14. Isaac Selo	150	5 47	155 47
	18. G. F. Gulick	100	3 65	103 65
Dec.	4. John B. Smoot	50	1 82	51 82
	10. Mary Cissel	1,850	67 52	1,917 52
	17. H. D. Cooke, jr	50	1 82	51 82
	30. Stephen Gatti, (interest not paid because end of bond reading "last six months' interest payable with bond" cut off.)	50	.....	50 00
1874.				
Jan'y	3. John B. Castelle	400	14 60	414 60
	8. John A. Baker	100	3 65	103 65
	9. John Roche	250	9 12	259 12
Feb'y	17. John McGrann	150	5 47	155 47
May	29. Metropolitan Bank	50	10 95	60 95
July	27. W. Q. Force	50	10 95	60 95
	30. Mrs. P. Thyson	150	32 85	182 85
Oct.	12. Riggs & Co	3,450	428 15	3,878 15
Nov.	21. J. H. Glick	50	10 95	60 95
		499,550	18,802 11	518,352 11

Payments made on account of Washington and Alexandria Railroad bonds, guaranteed by city of Washington.

1873.				
Oct.	18. T. W. Bartley, attorney	\$8,000	\$4,981 33	\$12,981 33
1874.				
Feb'y	6. National Republican advertising suit vs. A. & W. R. R. Co .....	.....	.....	31 50
		8,000	4,981 33	13,012 83

Claims paid by the commissioners of the sinking-fund since June 7, 1873.

1873.				
June	18. L. Martin, (warrant No. 5012)			\$9 97
July	3. E. C. Kaut			75 00
	11. I. Dean			15 75
	17. Adolf Cluss			6,725 00
	17. W. L. Bramhall			42 85
	28. A. H. Herr			149 18
Aug.	1. John Clark			1 99
	8. W. L. Naylor			41 66
	15. John Van Riswick			131 42
Sept.	4. C. E. Prentiss			500 00
	12. William Hughes			35 28
	19. T. Sheckels			42 00
	22. W. Smith, assignee			139 38
	22. W. Smith, assignee			105 92
Nov.	15. C. A. Stewart, treasurer colored schools			10,000 00
	15. O. S. B. Wall for J. Johnson, (claim L. C.)			114 33
	19. C. A. Stewart, treasurer colored schools			1,145 54
	19. C. A. Stewart, treasurer colored schools			2,921 87
	19. C. A. Stewart, treasurer colored schools			2,296 40
1874.				
Jan'y	31. H. Diebitsch			37 05
Mar.	17. W. B. Todd, administrator			89 05
April	21. Riggs & Co., on account of bill of J. G. Naylor, assigned to Gray & Noyes			673 67
	22. O. Leddy			21 00
	23. J. W. Butterfield, assignee			29 17
May	18. S. D. Castleman			492 53
June	12. F. Pratt, assignee			265 50
Nov.	17. Thomas Cavanaugh			80 25
				26,191 76

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Payments made by the sinking-fund commissioners for redemption of water-stock.

1873.				
June 12	Paid for certificate No. 426	\$600 00	\$7 20	\$607 20
July 3	Paid for certificate No. 180	3,000 00	-----	3,000 00
11	Paid for certificate No. 366	928 00	} 5 71	3,123 71
11	Paid for certificate No. 277	2,190 00		
14	Paid for certificate No. 343	1,420 00	} 9 38	4,029 38
14	Paid for certificate No. 404	600 00		
14	Paid for certificate No. 145	2,000 00		
Sept. 8	Paid for certificate No. 111	2,000 00	} 112 50	10,112 50
8	Paid for certificate No. 112	2,000 00		
8	Paid for certificate No. 113	1,000 00		
8	Paid for certificate No. 142	5,000 00		
23	Paid for certificate No. 174	1,000 00	14 00	1,014 00
Dec. 2	Paid for certificate No. 437	1,000 00	10 00	1,010 00
1874.				
Nov. 30	Paid for certificate No. 461	333 00	3 33	} 639 33
30	Paid for certificate No. 458	300 00	3 00	
30	Paid for certificate No. 233	1,350 00	13 50	1,363 50
30	Paid for certificate No. 455	2,000 00	20 00	2,020 00
30	Paid for certificate No. 434	300 00	3 00	303 00
30	Paid for certificate No. 371	400 00	4 00	404 00
30	Paid for certificate No. 450	1,100 00	11 00	1,111 00
30	Paid for certificate No. 209	5,000 00	50 83	5,050 83
		33,521 00	267 45	33,788 45

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Washington, December 1, 1874.

APPENDIX X.

Exhibit of funded indebtedness of the District of Columbia and of the late corporations of Washington and Georgetown.

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Permanent-improvement coupon bonds, issued under act of legislative assembly, approved July 10, 1871, 6 per cent. gold interest	\$4,000,000 00
Permanent-improvement coupon bonds, issued under act of assembly approved June 23, 1873, 7 per cent. currency interest	260,000 00
Permanent-improvement coupon bonds, issued under act of assembly approved June 25, 1873, 7 per cent. currency interest	530,000 00
Chicago relief bonds, (coupon,) issued under act of assembly approved October 18, 1871, 7 per cent. currency interest	100,000 00
Market-stock coupon bonds, issued under act of assembly approved August 23, 1871, 7 per cent. currency interest	152,400 00
Water-stock coupon bonds, issued under act of assembly approved July 20, 1871, 7 per cent. currency interest	450,000 00
Water-stock coupon bonds, issued under act of assembly approved June 26, 1873, 7 per cent. currency interest	35,000 00
County school coupon bonds, issued under act of assembly approved June 26, 1873, 7 per cent. currency interest	18,200 00
	<u>5,545,600 00</u>

LATE CORPORATION OF WASHINGTON.

Funding-loan bonds, issued under act of Congress approved May 8, 1872, 6 per cent. gold interest	\$1,150,000 00
Funding-loan bonds, issued under act of assembly approved June 20, 1872, 6 per cent. gold interest	1,650,000 00
Ten-year (Bowen) bonds, (coupon,) 6 per cent. currency interest, issued under act of Congress approved July 27, 1868	351,400 00
Three-year (Emery) coupon bonds, 7 ¹ / ₂ per cent. currency interest, issued under act of Congress approved July 7, 1870	3,100 00

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Five-year (Emery) coupon bonds, 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ currency interest, issued under act of Congress approved July 7, 1870	\$192,450 00
Five per cent. (currency) registered stock, under act of August 19, 1828..	54,807 00
Six per cent. (currency) registered stock, under act of October 25, 1843 .	653,517 22
Six per cent. (currency) registered canal stock, under act of April 14, 1847	48,800 00
Six per cent. (currency) (10-year) registered water stock, under act of June 2, 1859.....	85,777 00
	<u>4,221,851 22</u>

LATE CORPORATION OF GEORGETOWN.

Georgetown steam force-pump coupon bonds, issued under act of assembly approved June 26, 1873, 7 per cent currency interest	\$8,500 00
Six per cent (currency) registered general stock	180,885 00
Eight per cent. (currency) registered general stock.....	20,000 00
Six per cent. (currency) registered bounty-stock.....	20,000 00
Six per cent. (currency) registered market-stock.....	30,804 21
	<u>260,189 21</u>

RECAPITULATION OF FUNDED DEBT.

Of the District of Columbia.....	\$5,545,600 00
Of the late corporation of Washington.....	4,221,851 22
Of the late corporation of Georgetown.....	<u>260,189 21</u>
Making an aggregate of	10,027,640 43
Less funding-loan bonds, act of June 20, 1872, not yet disposed of by sinking-fund commissioners	\$672,700
Similar bonds held by the commissioners District of Columbia.	450,000
Permanent improvement bonds held by commissioners District of Columbia.....	12,000
Water bonds held by sinking-fund	<u>9,000</u>
	1,143,700 00
Actual amount outstanding.....	8,883,940 43
The commissioners of the sinking-fund hold the following assets, which, if disposed of, would still further reduce this amount, as follows:	
Chesapeake and Ohio Canal bonds, now selling at about \$1.15; amounting at par to.....	\$75,000
Washington and Alexandria Railroad bonds, (now in litigation).	59,000
Amount of new 3.65 50-year bonds, issued to date under act of June 20, 1874	<u>\$2,088,400</u>

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Washington City, D. C., December 1, 1874.

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APPENDIX Y.

The District of Columbia in account with the commissioners of the sinking-fund.

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For amounts disbursed.		
<i>From December, 1871, to November 30, 1874.</i>		
On account of indebtedness of levy court		\$26,316 89
On account of indebtedness of corporation of Georgetown		9,356 92
On account of temporary loans		750,000 00
On account of contingent expenses of commissioners of sinking-fund		1,642 56
On account of salaries paid by commissioners of sinking-fund		1,666 67
On account of additional compensation to treasurer of sinking-fund, (commission)		1,100 00
On account of corporation of Washington, 10-year bonds purchased		93,750 00
On account of indebtedness of corporation of Washington, as follows:		
Pennsylvania avenue paving-certificates	\$161,590 06	
Corporation of Washington on account of old indebtedness	555,044 54	
Indebtedness corporation of Washington, claims audited by auditing commission	674,941 02	
Indebtedness corporation of Washington for claims audited by auditor, comptroller, and commissioners of sinking-fund	105,185 46	
Payment of 10 per cent. certificates for canal improvement	93,599 25	
Louisiana and Indiana avenues, paving-certificates	38,816 65	
Board of public works, completion of old contracts	317,321 21	
Colored schools	16,373 81	
		1,963,472 00
Interest on bonds, stocks, and certificates of District of Columbia and corporations of Washington and Georgetown, as follows:		
Interest on corporation of Georgetown 6 per cent. bonds	46,537 16	
Interest on corporation of Washington 5 and 6 per cent. bonds	156,580 91	
Interest on corporation of Washington water-stock, 6 per cent.	24,042 96	
Interest on corporation of Washington 10-year bonds	75,034 02	
Interest on Chesapeake and Ohio Canal stock	8,671 05	
Interest on corporation of Washington 3-year 7 3-10 per cent. certificates	102,782 70	
Interest on corporation of Washington 5-year 7 3-10 per cent. certificates	40,756 67	
Interest on District of Columbia market-stock bonds	14,114 40	
Interest on Chicago relief bonds	10,500 00	
Interest on District of Columbia water-stock bonds	47,250 00	
Interest on Washington and Alexandria Railroad bonds	5,681 33	
Interest on funding-loan bonds, second series, act June 30, 1872, (coin)	94,992 00	
Interest on 7 per cent. city permanent-improvement bonds, act June 23, 1873	9,100 00	
Interest on 7 per cent. city permanent-improvement bonds, act June 25, 1873	18,550 00	
Interest on 7 per cent. District of Columbia water-stock bonds, act June 26, 1873	1,225 00	
Interest on sewerage-certificates	30,440 00	
Interest on special-improvement certificates of indebtedness	131,370 95	
Interest on county-school bonds	374 50	
Interest on District of Columbia water-fund certificates	11,040 00	
		819,043 65
Interest on temporary loan		33,519 54
On account of 3-year 7 3-10 certificates redeemed		499,550 00
On account of coin placed with First National Bank, New York, as follows:		
For payment of interest on \$1,150,000, funding-loan bonds, first series, act May 8, 1872		
For payment of interest on \$4,000,000, permanent-improvement bonds, act 1871		445,623 30
On account of premium on coin		72,837 96
On account of expenses attending purchase of 10-year bonds		230 99
On account of interest on bills payable		16,666 12
On account of expenses Washington and Alexandria Railroad bonds		31 50
On account of corporation of Washington water-stock, redeemed		69,243 00
On account of District of Columbia water-stock, redeemed		9,000 00
On account of discount on funding-loan bonds, as follows:		
Three per cent. on \$650,000 bonds, first series, act May 8, 1872	19,500 00	
Three per cent. on \$500,000 bonds, first series, act May 8, 1872	15,000 00	
Five per cent. on \$13,700 bonds, second series, act June 20, 1872	685 00	
		35,185 00
On account of discount and commissions on bills payable		695 00
Assets in hand November 30, 1874, as follows:		
Funding-loan bonds, second series, act June 20, 1872	672,700 00	
Washington and Alexandria Railroad bonds	59,000 00	
Chesapeake and Ohio Canal bonds	75,000 00	
Cash in National Metropolitan Bank, general account	\$11,311 53	
Cash in National Metropolitan Bank, coin	3 00	
Cash in National Metropolitan Bank, water-fund account	7,480 54	
	18,795 07	
On account of District of Columbia county-school bonds, redeemed		825,495 07
		500 00
		5,674,955 17

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The District of Columbia in account with the commissioners of the sinking-fund—Continued.

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By amounts received.	
<i>From December, 1871, to November 30, 1874.</i>	
From claim against corporation of Washington in favor levy court	\$30,474 80
From proceeds of coupons from \$25,000 Chesapeake and Ohio Canal bonds	10,500 00
From proceeds of temporary loans	750,000 00
From appropriation for contingent expenses of commissioners of sinking-fund	2,400 00
From appropriation for salaries paid by commissioners of sinking-fund	1,666 67
From proceeds of coupons from 10-year bonds	5,182 50
From corporation of Washington, bond account, act May 8, 1872	\$1,150,000 00
From corporation of Washington, bond account, act June 20, 1872	1,650,000 00
	2,800,000 00
From District of Columbia on warrants	1,479,902 54
From proceeds of coupons from \$50,000 Chesapeake and Ohio Canal bonds	20,985 00
From bills payable	384,000 00
From overdraft on city account, First National Bank, New York	20,097 50
From discount on 10-year bonds purchased	4,952 25
From discount on Washington and Alexandria Railroad bonds purchased	1,052 83
From proceeds of sewer-tax collections	8,302 34
From proceeds of special-improvement tax collections	17,418 20
From proceeds of water-fund tax collections	18,520 54
From corporation of Washington, Chesapeake and Ohio Canal bonds	50,000 00
From corporation of Washington, Washington and Alexandria Railroad bonds	44,500 00
From corporation of Georgetown, Chesapeake and Ohio Canal bonds	25,000 00
	5,674,955 17

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION OF THE SINKING-FUND,
Washington City, D. C., December 1, 1874.

Estimate for interest on outstanding bonded indebtedness of the District of Columbia and the late corporations of Washington and Georgetown, for year ending June 30, 1875.

Amount outstanding.	Title of bonds or stocks.	Act of—	Coupon or registered.	Interest; estimate for—	Rate.	Coin.	Currency.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.							
\$4,000,000 00	Permanent-improvement bonds.....	Legislative assembly, July 10, 1871.....	Coupon.....	One year.....	6 per cent.....	\$240,000 00	.....
260,000 00	do.....	Legislative assembly, June 23, 1873.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	.....	\$18,200 00
530,000 00	do.....	Legislative assembly, June 25, 1873.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	.....	36,100 00
100,000 00	Chicago relief bonds.....	Legislative assembly, October 18, 1871.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	.....	7,000 00
100,000 00	Water-stock bonds.....	Legislative assembly, July 29, 1871.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	.....	10,000 00
450,000 00	Water-stock bonds.....	Legislative assembly, July 29, 1871.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	.....	31,500 00
35,000 00	County-school bonds.....	Legislative assembly, June 29, 1873.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	.....	3,450 00
18,200 00	do.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	.....	7,450 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,274 00
CORPORATION OF WASHINGTON.							
1,150,000 00	Funding loan bonds, 1st series.....	Congress, May 8, 1872.....	do.....	do.....	6 per cent.....	69,000 00	.....
527,300 00	Funding loan bonds, 2d series.....	Legislative assembly, June 20, 1872.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	31,638 00	.....
672,700 00	do.....	do.....	do.....	Six months.....	do.....	20,181 00	.....
450,000 00	do.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	13,500 00	.....
351,400 00	Ten-year bonds.....	Congress, July 27, 1868.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	.....	6 per cent.....
192,450 00	Three-year bonds.....	Congress, July 7, 1868.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	.....	21,084 00
54,507 00	Five-year bonds.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	.....	14,048 85
683,592 92	6 per cent. registered stock.....	Congress, August 19, 1862.....	Registered.....	do.....	7 3-10 per cent.....	.....	2,740 35
85,800 00	6 per cent. canal stock.....	Congress, April 25, 1843.....	do.....	do.....	5 per cent.....	41,131 03	.....
95,777 00	6 per cent. canal stock.....	Congress, April 14, 1847.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	2,928 00	.....
.....	Ten-year water-stock.....	Congress, June 2, 1859.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	.....	5,146 62
25,730 00	Ten-year bonds, (Howell).....	Congress, July 27, 1868.....	Coupon.....	do.....	do.....	.....	3,625 00
CORPORATION OF GEORGETOWN.							
180,885 00	6 per cent. general stock.....	.....	Registered.....	do.....	do.....	.....	10,853 10
20,000 00	8 per cent. general stock.....	.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	.....	1,600 00
20,000 00	6 per cent. bounty stock.....	.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	.....	1,900 00
30,804 21	6 per cent. market-stock.....	.....	do.....	do.....	do.....	.....	1,848 25
8,500 00	Georgetown steam force-pump.....	Legislative assembly, June 29, 1873.....	Coupon.....	do.....	do.....	.....	505 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	374,319 00	215,992 20

* These bonds have been purchased and canceled; but the law requires the coupons (which have not been canceled) to be collected, and the proceeds applied in the purchase of other bonds of the same kind for the sinking-fund.

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONERS OF SINKING-FUND,
Washington City, D. C., December 1, 1874.

APPENDIX A a.

NOVEMBER 30, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: At your request I submit the following statement. The data as to cost of improvements is obtained from the board of audit:

Total cost of work in Washington City	\$14,297,232 02
Total cost of work in Georgetown	725,498 37
Total cost of work in county	464,516 85
	<hr/> 15,487,247 24
One-third assessable to adjoining property	5,162,415 75
Amount assessed by board of public works, act August 10, 1871	1,232,658 57
	<hr/> 3,929,757 18
Audit certificates received in payment of assessments per order board of public works	\$98,472 41
Cash deposit in National Metropolitan Bank	16,380 63
Accrued interest on certificates	9,478 82
	<hr/> 124,331 86
	<hr/> 3,805,425 32
Eight per cent. certificates, for which the balance of assessments are pledged.	2,000,000 00
	<hr/> 1,805,425 32
Less interest paid on 8 per cent. certificates, including estimate of amount required January 1 next	191,370 95
	<hr/> 1,614,054 37
Balance to credit of District of Columbia	
Respectfully,	

GEO. W. BEALL,
Deputy Comptroller.

Hon. COMMISSIONERS SINKING-FUND.

APPENDIX A b.

Report of the commissioners of the sinking-fund of the District of Columbia to the legislative assembly, June 7, 1873.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, June 9, 1873.

To the legislative assembly:

I have the honor to forward the inclosed reports of payments made by the commissioners of the sinking-fund up to the 7th instant, together with a copy of the communication accompanying the document to this office.

Very respectfully,

H. D. COOKE, *Governor.*

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING-FUND,
Washington, D. C., June 7, 1873.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following exhibits of payments made by the commissioners of the sinking-fund to the present date, on account of the indebtedness of the late corporations of Washington, Georgetown, and the Levy Court, to wit:

On account of Washington—payment of claims approved by auditing commission; payment of judgments, costs of suit, outstanding warrants, and sundry miscellaneous claims; payment at 10 per cent. certificates for paving Pennsylvania, Louisiana, and Indiana avenues; payment of 10 per cent. certificates for improvement of the canal; payment to board of public works on account of old contracts, &c.; payment for water-stock redeemed; payment of 10-year bonds purchased; payment on account of Washington and Alexandria Railroad bonds guaranteed by city of Washington; transcript of accounts between the District of Columbia and the late corporation of Washington to 16th March, 1872, as adjusted by the comptroller and commissioners of the sinking-fund under the provisions of the act of January 19, 1872; transcript of account between the same to January 31, 1873, as adjusted by the auditor

and comptroller of the District and the commissioners of the sinking-fund, under the provisions of the act of June 20, 1872.

On account of Georgetown—payment of claims approved by the auditing commission.

On account of the levy court—payments of claims approved by the auditing commission.

In addition to the amounts received from the comptroller of the District for the payments thus enumerated, as exhibited in transcripts 9 and 10, the following sums have been received by the commission, to wit:

From sale of \$500,000 Washington funding bonds, at 97 cents, \$485,000; from 30-year bonds, issued under act of June 20, 1872, disposed of at par, \$1,020,600; from appropriation made by Congress at its last session to re-imburse the late corporation of Washington for expenses incurred in improvements chargeable to the United States, \$188,002.75; and from interest collected upon Chesapeake and Ohio Canal bonds, \$13,500; making an aggregate of \$1,707,102.75.

The claims against the late corporation of Georgetown, included in the report of the auditing commission as approved, have all been paid, and I know of no claims outstanding against that corporation except one for its proportion of the cost of completing P-street bridge, with its approaches, which has not yet been adjusted.

Of the accounts against the levy court, approved by the auditing commission, only four, (Nos. 257, 373, 374, and 604,) amounting to less than \$2,000, remain unpaid; and as but few claims for small amounts have since been presented, it is believed that the indebtedness under this head has been nearly paid off.

It is also gratifying to be able to report the claims against the late corporation of Washington for the most part liquidated. In addition to the payments made by the District officers on this account, as exhibited in transcripts 9 and 10, the commissioners of the sinking-fund have disbursed—

For claims approved by auditing commission, abstract 1, \$707,723.23; for judgments, miscellaneous claims, &c., abstract 2, \$96,163.45; for 10 per cent. paving certificates, abstract 3, \$200,406.71; for 10 per cent. canal certificates, abstract 4, \$93,599.25; for completing work by board of public works, abstract 5, \$317,321.21; for redemption of water-stock, abstract 6, \$35,562.04; total, \$1,450,775.89.

In addition to this there has been paid for purchase of \$93,750 ten-year bonds, abstract 7, \$89,517.01; and for \$6,500 Washington and Alexandria Railroad bonds, abstract 8, \$6,147.17.

A comparatively small number of claims against the late corporation of Washington remain to be settled, not exceeding, probably, in the aggregate, \$50,000, but it is impossible at present to give more than an approximate estimate of the amount. The funded debt, however, as it stands at present is as follows: Permanent-improvement 6 per cent. gold bonds, \$1,000,000; Washington funding 6 per cent. gold bonds, act of May 8, 1872, \$1,150,000; Washington funding 6 per cent. gold bonds, act of June 20, 1872, \$1,020,600; Chicago relief 7 per cent. currency bonds, \$100,000; Market-house 7 per cent. currency bonds, (now being issued,) \$300,000; Potomac water 7 per cent. currency bonds, \$450,000; corporation of Washington 5 per cent. stock, \$54,807; corporation of Washington 6 per cent. stock, \$685,517; corporation of Washington 6 per cent. canal stock, \$48,800; corporation of Washington 6 per cent. water-stock, \$119,578; corporation of Washington 6 per cent. ten-year bonds, \$445,000; corporation of Washington 7½ per cent. three-year bonds, \$502,650; corporation of Washington 7½ per cent. five-year bonds, \$192,450; Washington and Alexandria Railroad bonds, guaranteed by city of Washington, \$8,000; corporation of Georgetown 6 per cent. stock, \$232,317; corporation of Georgetown 8 per cent. stock, \$20,000; making an aggregate of \$9,329,719. Of this amount the commissioners hold of ten-year bonds, \$93,750, reducing this aggregate to \$9,235,969.

The commission also hold Chesapeake and Ohio Canal bonds to the amount of \$75,000, which would now command more than that sum, and hopes yet to realize a considerable amount due from the General Government and other sources.

With much respect, your obedient servant,

MOSES KELLY,
Treasurer.

Hon. H. D. COOKE,
Governor District of Columbia.

Statement of claims against the late corporation of Washington approved by the auditing commission, and paid by the commissioners of the sinking fund.

No. of claims.	In whose favor.	Principal.	Interest.	Amount paid.
1	Julius Warren.....	\$100 00	\$5 00	\$105 00
2	Martin Moore.....	49 00	2 58	51 58
3	David W. Wheeler.....	40 00	2 00	42 00
7	Nelson Bond.....	16 00	80	16 80
8	Daniel Jones.....	26 50	1 33	27 83
9	John Burns.....	150 00	9 92	159 92
10	William T. Kent.....	583 66	168 29	751 95
11	E. O. McNair.....	3,058 82	168 23	3,227 05
12	Andrew Gleason.....	596 75	31 33	628 08
13	Dennis Niland.....	38 00	1 94	39 94
14	William M. Tenney.....	14,019 15	971 99	14,991 14
15	John Hogan.....	12 60	83	13 43
16	Jay Cooke & Co.....	2,939 82	161 69	3,101 51
17	William M. Tenney.....	180 00	9 00	189 00
18	Wm. E. Wood & Co.....	43 50	3 08	46 58
19	Jno. Farley.....	12 80	64	13 44
20	Michael Green.....	2,001 85	111 09	2,112 94
21	David Roach.....	1,614 84	88 81	1,703 65
22	William Thomas.....	81 00	4 05	85 05
23	John R. Pierce.....	57 00	3 08	60 08
25	J. W. Jones.....	6,575 46	436 17	7,011 63
26	A. Webster.....	793 33	41 65	834 98
28	Thomas McClain.....	34 00	1 70	35 70
29	David Dixon.....	50 00	2 50	52 50
30	C. Clark.....	150 00	7 50	157 50
31	Thomas Williams.....	50 00	2 50	52 50
32	John Miner.....	15 56	79	16 35
33	B. Thornton.....	38 00	1 90	39 90
34	H. Brown.....	100 00	5 00	105 00
36	Thomas Taylor.....	105 00	5 81	110 80
37	J. W. Phillips.....	100 00	5 50	105 51
38	A. Patterson.....	401 88	21 23	423 11
39	A. P. Lacey.....	45 25	2 30	47 55
40	S. Lewis.....	350 00	17 54	368 34
41	Z. Baker.....	10 00	50	10 50
42	J. S. Lyon.....	25 42	1 27	26 69
43	J. C. Hall.....	158 89	10 09	168 98
45	P. Cullinane.....	8,809 85	515 37	9,325 22
46	Terrence O'Brien.....	118 50	5 92	124 42
47	Simeon Bland.....	81 00	4 21	85 21
48	D. Shanahan.....	274 00	13 97	287 97
49	John Kelly.....	116 00	6 16	122 16
50	John P. Costin.....	16 34	84	17 18
51	John W. Morsell.....	5 60	31	5 91
52	E. G. Wheeler.....	50 19	2 63	52 82
53	George J. Johnson.....	364 95	18 25	383 20
54	H. M. C. Denaber.....	40 00	2 00	42 00
55	R. G. Campbell.....	433 40	21 67	455 07
56	Bartley Knox.....	45 00	2 25	47 25
57	T. Sullivan.....	25 00	1 25	26 25
58	M. Madigan.....	35 00	1 88	36 88
59	J. L. Pearson.....	8 75	44	9 19
61	P. Cullinane.....	7,791 22	455 79	8,247 01
63	S. Ueber.....	311 10	15 55	326 65
64	Josiah O. Kern.....	34 87	2 96	37 83
65	George W. Cissell.....	3,366 49	186 83	3,553 32
66	Jos. Smith.....	2 00	10	2 10
67	Henry White.....	434 00	22 23	456 23
69	W. H. Marlow.....	521 52	27 38	548 90
70	John Brown.....	286 75	14 37	301 12
71	John M. Brown.....	15 00	89	15 89
72	B. Foley.....	54 00	2 70	56 70

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Statement of claims against the late corporation of Washington, &c.—Continued.

No. of claims.	In whose favor.	Principal.	Interest.	Amount paid.
73	Mrs. E. Holmes	\$46 23	\$2 60	\$48 83
74	W. Bartholomew	75 00	4 05	79 05
77	Beall & Baker	134 00	14 74	148 74
78	A. N. Hazen & Co.	81 50	4 32	85 82
79	Thomas Tracey	32 00	1 60	33 60
80	Patrick Kelley	45 00	2 34	47 34
82	Freedman's Savings & Trust Co.	34,346 24	2,387 05	36,733 29
83	Henry Parker	81 00	4 21	85 21
84	Freedman's Savings & Trust Co.	925 75	48 60	974 35
85	do	15,402 58	1,067 91	16,470 49
86	do	384 68	19 23	403 91
87	do	932 16	49 02	981 18
88	do	27 50	1 38	28 88
89	Michael Shehan	39 00	2 20	41 20
91	A. Erdman	75 00	3 94	78 94
92	Wm. H. Jones	52 00	2 73	54 73
93	Theodore O'Dea	121 00	6 29	118 29
94	L. H. Schneider	196 08	10 29	206 37
95	Robert Boyd	33 61	1 68	35 29
96	E. W. Knowles	378 14	21 18	399 32
97	George Francis	332 36	16 62	348 98
98	A. J. Joyce & Co.	58 20	2 91	61 11
99	L. M. Beall	138 66	7 07	145 73
100	Patrick Killoyne	86 00	4 47	90 47
101	G. W. Linville	67 54	3 62	71 16
102	First National Bank, agents	2,880 00	158 40	3,038 40
103	George Willner	221 67	11 08	232 75
104	John McGrann	291 00	14 84	305 84
105	W. B. Moses	106 15	5 31	111 46
106	M. Sweeney	81 00	4 05	85 05
107	Mrs. Mary M. Cameron	166 66	8 33	174 99
108	Somerville & Leitch	179 67	9 34	189 01
109	Enoch Edmonson, agent	46 80	2 46	49 26
110	John Wilson	738 10	41 32	779 42
111	Francis A. Beckert	75 00	3 75	78 75
112	Nelson Isdell	30 00	1 50	31 50
113	George Holmes	45 00	2 29	47 29
115	R. R. Hazard	615 97	32 34	648 31
116	George F. Gulick & Gulick & Bro	566 65	29 75	596 40
117	Peter Hogane	27 00	1 43	28 43
118	George T. Bassett	39 00	1 99	40 99
119	F. & A. Schneider	1,249 50	68 73	1,318 23
120	Julia A. Smoot	18 80	1 05	19 85
121	Patrick Corcoran	44 48	2 35	46 83
122	N. Sargent, president	3,370 23	185 36	3,555 59
123	D. C. Bohlayer	60 00	3 00	63 00
124	Fletcher & Buckley	185 25	9 27	194 52
125	James Eslin	2,694 37	179 62	2,873 99
126	William Muehlisen	78 00	5 40	83 40
127	H. F. Zimmerman & Co.	242 00	12 10	254 10
128	James Wright	46 50	2 41	48 91
130	J. W. Kennedy & Co.	15 15	76	15 91
131	John Sheahan	63 00	3 53	66 53
132	Church of Evangelical Association	100 00	5 00	105 00
133	Henry J. Bright	295 00	15 79	310 79
134	Pettit & Dripps	748 80	53 92	802 72
135	Conrad Kauffman	202 90	10 34	213 24
136	R. B. Ferguson	134 45	6 72	141 17
137	Gibson Bros	16 25	85	17 10
138	John B. Ward	10 01	60	10 61
139	B. Severson	66 66	3 33	69 99
140	G. W. Smith	883 33	46 38	929 71
141	Patrick Brennan	159 00	8 10	167 10
142	W. H. Slater	289 00	14 45	303 45

Statement of claims against the late corporation of Washington, &c.—Continued.

No. of claims.	In whose favor.	Principal.	Interest.	Amount paid.
143	W. H. Slater.....	\$389 33	\$19 47	\$408 80
144	W. Ballantyne.....	1,230 77	67 70	1,298 47
145	W. D. Cassin.....	47 00	2 64	49 64
146	National Bank Republic.....	11,728 98	603 74	12,332 72
147	W. D. Crossman.....	66 66	3 73	70 39
148	Washington Gas-light Co.....	39,772 96	2,651 53	42,424 49
150	do.....	627 75	32 95	660 70
151	Browning & Middleton.....	40 50	2 24	42 74
152	B. F. Morsell.....	53 79	2 77	55 56
153	J. A. Jordan.....	94 75	4 83	99 58
154	Freedman's Savings & Trust Co.....	2,093 32	116 18	2,209 50
155	do.....	4,400 00	242 00	4,642 00
156	do.....	26,909 45	1,802 93	28,712 38
157	do.....	190 32	9 52	199 84
158	do.....	50 35	2 50	52 50
159	George Follansbee.....	35 00	1 75	36 75
160	do.....	109 00	5 45	114 45
162	Washington City Savings Bank.....	3,100 33	172 07	3,272 40
163	Eliza Warden.....	23 40	1 17	24 57
165	Washington City Savings Bank.....	22,639 49	1,494 20	24,133 69
166	George Emerick.....	34 00	8 66	42 66
167	William C. Harper.....	4 12	22	4 34
169	C. Witmer.....	34 00	1 70	35 70
170	R. S. Parker.....	26 37	1 48	27 85
171	Poole & Hume.....	237 21	11 84	249 05
172	do.....	70 00	3 57	73 57
173	Mrs. E. Robb.....	64 50	3 36	67 86
174	George J. Johnson & Co.....	81 44	4 07	85 51
176	Daniel Donovan.....	300 00	15 00	315 00
177	Eliza E. Lettch.....	12 00	65	12 62
178	Patriot Association.....	10 50	53	11 03
179	do.....	275 50	13 78	289 28
180	Frederick Iddens.....	24 50	1 33	25 83
182	W. H. Godey.....	1 80	10	1 90
185	N. B. Clark.....	453 80	22 69	476 49
186	J. W. Hutton.....	39 00	1 95	40 95
188	Gotthelf, Behrend & Co.....	12 00	62	12 62
189	Washington City Savings Bank.....	2,343 44	130 06	2,473 50
190	Freedman's Savings and Trust Co.....	22,029 19	-----	22,029 19
191	William Bradley.....	10 00	66	10 66
192	Washington City Savings Bank.....	1,268 86	70 42	1,339 28
194	John Gibbons.....	15 00	77	15 77
195	L. Johnson & Co.....	5,937 41	326 53	6,263 94
196	J. McDermott & Bro.....	43 90	2 19	46 09
197	James McDermott.....	70 00	3 50	73 50
198	John McDermott & Bro.....	20 00	1 00	21 00
200	G. W. Linville & Co.....	4 88	27	5 15
201	do.....	31 51	1 57	33 08
202	W. H. Parker.....	37 50	1 96	39 46
203	O. H. Buckhead.....	31 32	1 60	32 92
205	F. & A. Schneider.....	44 64	2 46	47 10
206	J. B. Austin, agent.....	19 75	1 06	20 81
207	B. W. Reed & Sons.....	4 00	20	4 20
208	J. C. Whitwell, treasurer.....	192 89	10 62	203 51
209	Sisterhood of Saint John.....	2,000 00	133 33	2,133 33
213	W. T. Murphy.....	5 00	25	5 25
214	William Smith.....	2,257 99	127 95	2,385 94
216	Broadhead & Co.....	32 00	1 81	33 81
217	R. P. Jackson.....	22 00	1 23	23 23
218	Kneesi & Norfleet.....	112 10	5 83	117 93
219	George H. Pogels.....	36 40	1 93	38 33
220	Joseph L. McWilliams, executor.....	184 98	10 28	195 26

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Statement of claims against the late corporation of Washington, &c.—Continued.

No. of claims,	In whose favor.	Principal.	Interest.	Amount paid.
221	A. Lloyd	\$75 00	\$3 75	\$78 75
222	Freedman's Savings and Trust Company	17 00	80	17 80
223	Tehlmán & Dorsey	630 00	33 07	663 07
224	William C. Smith	636 00	33 39	669 39
225	Thomas Sorrell	706 65	38 86	745 51
226	E. C. Adams	\$74 99	50 30	925 29
227	James Adams	700 00	36 75	736 75
228	Thomas Hines	636 00	33 39	669 39
229	William W. White	546 00	28 66	574 66
230	Robert Brown	636 00	33 39	669 39
231	George S. Langley	692 62	36 36	728 98
232	Samuel Riels	577 79	34 67	612 46
233	James Peak	630 00	33 07	663 07
234	Robert Adams	636 00	33 39	669 39
235	Francis H. Myers	706 66	37 10	743 76
236	William T. Stone	677 41	36 24	713 65
237	John Ross	636 00	33 39	669 39
238	Robert J. McElroy	636 00	33 39	669 39
239	Thomas E. Dent	630 00	33 07	663 07
240	Augustus Dunbar	700 00	42 00	742 00
241	Daniel Williams	630 00	33 07	663 07
242	William H. Lewis	630 00	33 07	663 07
243	John Johnson	636 00	33 39	669 39
244	John S. Brent	700 00	36 75	736 75
245	William D. Buckley	630 00	33 07	663 07
246	William Fugitt	630 00	33 07	663 07
247	James Garner	630 00	33 00	663 07
248	Augustus Stroble	630 00	33 09	663 09
249	William Hawkins	636 00	33 39	669 39
250	John Beckett	883 33	46 38	929 71
251	John Fisher	636 00	33 39	669 39
252	John N. Norris	638 00	33 49	671 49
253	Alfred Chinn	630 00	33 07	663 07
254	Joseph Flynn	636 00	33 39	669 39
255	Freedman's Savings and Trust Company	108 00	5 40	113 40
256	do	2,000 00	110 00	2,110 00
257	do	800 00	42 00	842 00
258	J. T. Turner	1 68	10	1 78
259	P. Thyson	5 75	29	6 04
261	J. L. Harris	30 00	1 50	31 50
262	Barbour & Hamilton	1,456 00	80 81	1,536 81
263	J. H. Crane	2 37	11	2 48
265	Edward C. Fitzgerald	110 25	6 24	116 49
267	Joseph F. Hodgson	162 21	8 27	170 48
269	William G. Wheatley	16 00	1 16	17 16
270	J. B. Wilson	122 67	6 45	129 12
271	W. G. Wheatley	13 50	98	14 48
272	C. B. Church & Co	351 98	17 60	369 58
273	do	14 00	70	14 70
274	Wall, Robinson & Co	55 00	2 75	57 75
275	do	33 77	1 60	35 37
276	Q. L. Page	300 00	15 30	315 30
277	L. Johnson & Co	300 00	15 30	315 30
278	A. Fowler	6 75	34	7 09
279	A. Gaddis & Co	35 00	1 81	36 81
280	L. J. Draper	100 00	5 35	105 35
281	S. Herrman	60 00	3 30	63 30
282	W. H. Cole	100 00	5 50	115 50
283	K. C. Lineaweaver	94 85	4 74	99 59
284	M. Green	6 90	42	7 32
285	Baldwin & Bro	61 50	3 07	64 57
286	John S. Lovejoy	318 70	16 24	334 94
287	Dennis Fealy	7 50	49	7 99
288	J. H. Goddard, administrator	300 00	15 00	315 00

Statement of claims against the late corporation of Washington, &c.—Continued.

No. of claims.	In whose favor.	Principal.	Interest.	Amount paid.
290	Robert P. Yeatman.....	\$18 00	\$0 92	\$18 92
291	F. S. Edelin.....	32 00	22	32 22
292	J. C. Miller.....	10 22	54	10 76
293	Publishers Critic.....	5 00	26	5 26
294	John W. Forney.....	225 00	11 48	236 48
296	J. M. McFarland.....	624 70	33 86	658 56
298	John Donovan.....	78 00	3 98	81 98
300	J. B. Willet.....	110 75	9 38	120 13
301	John M. Morris.....	3 25	23	3 48
302	G. L. Sheriff.....	22 50	1 12	23 62
303	William Smith.....	7,660 48	459 64	8,120 12
304	Z. Richards.....	41 53	2 12	43 65
305	John C. Parker.....	68 75	3 44	72 19
306	Levy court.....	9,254 75	601 56	9,856 31
308	John McL. Briell.....	3 65	19	3 84
309	Thomas Draney.....	55 50	2 77	58 27
310	W. D. Wyvill.....	100 00	5 60	105 60
311	Timothy Luby.....	50 00	2 00	52 00
312	C. Stott & Co.....	15 00	85	15 85
313	William Dixon.....	1,111 10	62 22	1,173 32
315	Capital Publishing Co.....	19 50	1 07	20 57
316	W. Redstrake, agent.....	66 67	4 23	70 90
317	William A. Cook.....	90 00	4 50	94 50
320	J. C. Whitewell, treasurer.....	30 90	1 71	32 61
321	J. L. Savage.....	2 50	18	2 68
324	W. J. Gardner, agent.....	83 33	4 17	87 50
325	H. K. Randall.....	13 73	75	14 48
326	Charles Chesley.....	15 00	81	15 85
327	First National Bank.....	773 06	40 58	813 64
330	William Smith.....	1,274 08	71 35	1,345 43
331	J. C. Miller, agent.....	91 25	4 66	95 91
332	Daniel Shea.....	44 00	2 20	46 20
333	J. R. Hopkins.....	3 50	19	3 69
334	John Guilehoe.....	27 00	1 35	28 35
335	L. Johnson & Co.....	2,227 73	131 44	2,359 17
337	James Lynch.....	5 35	37	5 72
340	Henry Birch.....	66 00	3 43	69 43
341	do.....	4,194 21	230 68	4,424 89
342	C. Champion.....	121 67	6 08	127 75
343	Washington City Savings Bank.....	6,019 57	355 06	6,374 63
344	T. Cross, agent.....	116 66	6 47	123 13
346	W. D. Davidge.....	2,750 00	151 25	2,901 25
347	W. Rutherford.....	3 00	21	3 21
348	P. Shoemaker.....	23 00	1 30	24 30
349	A. Bastert.....	250 00	12 50	262 50
350	C. Cushing.....	13 55	89	14 44
351	W. H. Galt & Co.....	39 00	2 09	41 09
352	Levy court.....	19,248 64	1,369 85	20,618 49
354	S. P. Brown & Son.....	27 50	1 38	28 88
355	P. Hickey.....	39 30	2 09	41 39
356	Thomas H. Barron.....	75 00	3 75	78 75
357	J. C. P. Kennedy.....	12 50	1 29	13 79
358	W. G. Crawford.....	625 00	35 00	660 00
359	J. D. McPherson.....	200 00	10 00	210 00
360	Washington Sunday Gazette.....	92 00	4 79	96 79
361	Francis Prott.....	327 85	16 39	344 24
362	do.....	4,105 50	225 80	4,331 30
365	T. McCanley & Son.....	7 22	72	7 94
367	R. B. Wallace.....	50 00	2 50	52 50
368	J. L. Delano.....	6,303 53	378 21	6,681 74
369	George E. Baker.....	3 00	16	3 16
370	George M. Oyster.....	25 00	1 83	26 83
371	John McClellan.....	1,149 51	63 70	1,213 21
372	John Patch.....	7 20	41	7 61

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Statement of claims against the late corporation of Washington, &c.—Continued.

No. of claims.	In whose favor.	Principal.	Interest.	Amount paid.
375	George W. Harkness.....	\$28 50	\$1 45	\$29 95
376	M. Loeb.....	5 00	26	5 26
381	Joseph F. Kelly.....	43 90	2 90	46 80
384	A. Sharp.....	21 50	1 19	22 69
385	M. Pabst.....	75 37	3 76	79 13
386	T. Shekels.....	1, 578 04	86 79	1, 664 83
387	G. C. Hereus.....	21 00	17	21 17
388	J. A. Frank.....	14 25	73	14 98
389	Fenwick & Stewart.....	13 15	64	13 79
390	Washington Sunday Gazette.....	6 00	31	6 31
391	W. W. Birth.....	10 00	56	10 56
392	Coyle Rogers.....	20 00	1 08	21 08
393	George F. Gulick.....	30 00	1 50	31 50
394	Gulick Brothers.....	116 08	5 80	121 88
396	A. R. Shepherd.....	29 23	1 46	30 69
397	Timothy McCarthy.....	2 00	12	2 12
398	S. Prentiss.....	41 66	2 08	43 74
400	Ames Hunt.....	400 00	20 00	420 00
401	W. A. Wilson & Co.....	1, 476 40	88 58	1, 564 98
403	W. D. Hughes.....	5 25	28	5 53
404	C. H. Wilberger.....	273 30	13 67	286 97
405	E. V. B. Boswell.....	297 90	16 54	314 44
406	.....do.....	212 46	10 62	223 08
407	J. R. Cassin.....	188 85	9 83	198 68
408	W. H. Daw.....	121 83	6 09	127 92
409	Mrs. E. L. Ridgely.....	246 40	12 32	258 72
410	J. J. Fink.....	9 50	47	9 77
411	George W. Cissel.....	166 66	8 66	175 32
412	I. N. Burritt.....	323 25	16 17	339 42
413	S. R. Bond.....	116 50	5 94	122 44
414	Evening Star Co.....	600 00	33 30	633 30
417	W. E. Poulton, M. D.....	75 00	3 75	78 75
418	J. A. Brauson.....	6 00	34	6 34
419	John Snow, trustee.....	23 00	1 16	24 16
420	Hall & Hume.....	57 50	3 23	60 73
421	J. W. Forney.....	9 25	48	9 73
422	G. W. Knox.....	7 50	39	7 89
427	C. N. Nichols.....	898 21	59 88	958 08
428	C. C. Fulton & Son.....	17 60	1 16	18 76
431	John Jones.....	350 00	19 25	369 25
432	D. W. Benson.....	50 00	2 50	52 50
433	Senley & Gleason.....	100 05	5 00	105 05
434	George A. Shaw.....	83 32	4 17	87 49
435	H. F. Davis & Co.....	43 25	2 43	45 68
436	R. A. Hyde.....	5 00	29	5 29
437	Rev. C. J. White.....	166 67	9 25	175 92
438	Henry Birch.....	16, 007 08	1, 109 82	17, 116 90
439	T. Mangum.....	75 00	3 75	78 75
440	J. A. Baker.....	16 40	92	17 32
441	J. Garrity.....	30 00	1 50	31 50
442	T. Evans.....	27 25	1 43	28 68
443	J. H. Kuehling.....	4 70	24	4 94
444	H. Bartley.....	3, 816 66	211 82	4, 028 48
445	S. N. Hilton.....	41 67	2 08	43 75
446	F. B. McGuire.....	1, 000 00	56 00	1, 056 00
447	First National Bank.....	356 00	17 80	373 80
448	L. Johnson & Co.....	3, 511 74	193 15	3, 704 89
449	Michael Green.....	14 40	80	15 20
452	J. G. Waters.....	697 40	36 61	734 01
453	William Green.....	23 75	1 25	25 00
454	Delaware Hudnell.....	5, 096 24	280 29	5, 376 53
455	R. Cruik.....	9 99	53	10 52
456	F. A. Boswell.....	35 25	1 77	37 02
457	Silsby Manufacturing Co.....	509 50	26 50	536 00

Statement of claims against the late corporation of Washington, &c.—Continued.

No. of claims.	In whose favor.	Principal.	Interest.	Amount paid.
458	John W. Dick.....	\$953 05	\$50 50	\$1,003 55
459	G. R. Thompson.....	9 50	48	9 98
460	Thomas Smallwood.....	75 00	3 75	78 75
461	Z. Jones.....	15,979 97	925 87	16,905 84
462	Alfred Chinn.....	29 03	1 60	30 63
464	George H. Newnan.....	10 00	55	10 55
465	Washington City Savings Bank.....	4,565 07	256 35	4,818 42
467	W. W. Farr.....	3 00	23	3 23
468	Patrick Driscoll.....	37 00	2 05	39 05
469	B. L. Jackson.....	147 00	7 49	154 49
470	Trustees Washington Mission School.....	46 70	28	46 98
471	D. Harrington.....	9 80	78	10 58
472	National Savings Bank.....	1 82	15	1 97
473	Isaiah Gates & Sons.....	80 00	5 30	85 30
474	Solomon J. Fague.....	10 00	50	10 50
478	Mrs. E. Strider.....	20 89	1 06	21 95
480	W. Barnes.....	386 00	19 30	405 30
482	W. Buckley.....	108 33	5 41	113 74
483	Chronicle Publishing Co.....	2 00	11	2 11
484	Estate of E. C. Dyer.....	30 00	1 53	31 53
486	David Fowble.....	30 95	1 55	32 50
487	Langran, Ogilvie & Co.....	230 00	11 50	241 50
488	Thomas Russell.....	27 00	1 62	28 62
489	Middleton & Co.....	100 00	5 00	105 00
492	Marshall Brown, trustee.....	500 00	25 00	525 00
493	Washington Gas-light Co.....	42 75	2 13	44 88
494	First National Bank.....	1,978 39	108 81	2,087 20
495	H. J. Frost, trustee.....	50 00	2 55	52 55
496	Beavans & Shaw.....	144 75	7 23	151 98
497	W. M. Tenney.....	40 13	2 00	42 13
498	A. Cluss.....	14 00	70	14 70
499	J. H. Crane.....	303 00	15 15	318 15
500	John W. Shiles.....	65 00	3 38	68 38
501	Z. D. Gilman.....	11 50	65	12 15
502	William Smith.....	1,305 14	72 44	1,377 58
503	G. T. Dearing.....	21 78	1 44	23 22
504	De Vere Barr, treasurer.....	16,338 14	1,102 84	17,440 98
505	Behrend & Bro.....	37 50	2 11	39 61
506	James Bowen.....	105 00	5 36	110 36
507	J. E. Thomson.....	4 16	22	4 38
508	L. Johnson & Co.....	92 25	4 70	96 95
510	Hugh McGinness.....	5,014 00	278 28	5,292 28
511	John F. Murphy.....	155 56	7 78	163 34
512	McGill & Witherow.....	743 48	39 03	782 51
513	First National Bank.....	54,582 59	3,766 20	58,348 79
515	George Neitzey.....	10,190 83	597 86	10,788 69
516	J. F. Murphy.....	15,063 63	883 72	15,947 05
517	A. Fendall.....	75 00	3 75	78 75
518	A. Carusi.....	75 00	3 75	78 75
519	Charles Stierlen.....	11 20	56	11 76
520	William Herring.....	32 74	1 67	34 41
521	First National Bank.....	420 00	21 00	441 00
523	New Jerusalem Society.....	225 00	11 25	236 25
524	T. Kirby.....	6,912 78	387 11	7,299 89
525	George Bauer.....	39 00	1 98	40 98
526	Vestry of Memorial parish.....	70 00	3 85	73 85
527	A. Brown.....	13 50	71	14 21
528	John Van Riswick.....	375 00	20 81	395 81
563	J. J. Kelly.....	575 36	32 22	607 58
564	C. Stewart.....	1,010 90	55 59	1,066 49
565	W. R. Riley.....	34 00	1 81	35 81
566	P. Guinnie.....	18 00	90	18 98
567	W. Smith.....	14 00	78	14 78

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Statement of claims against the late corporation of Washington, &c.—Continued.

No. of claims.	In whose favor.	Principal.	Interest.	Amount paid.
568	T. J. D. Fuller	\$10 00	\$0 66	\$10 66
569	W. O. Dennison	2 42	12	2 54
570	Sannuel Ceas	6 33	31	6 64
571	do	5,026 15	278 96	5,305 11
573	Henry Birch	3,749 68	206 23	3,955 91
574	do	6 05	31	6 34
575	G. D. Curtis	133 33	6 66	139 99
576	A. S. Seely	4 47	23	4 70
579	W. H. Harrover	26 90	1 48	28 38
580	N. B. Fugitt	5,099 50	283 02	5,382 52
581	do	346 00	17 30	363 30
582	W. Campbell	50 00	2 65	52 65
583	Frederick P. Stanton	7,014 69	413 86	7,428 55
584	J. C. McKelden	400 00	20 00	420 00
585	J. R. Dieter	329 35	16 47	345 82
586	Patrick Coreoran	6,961 47	408 40	7,369 87
588	P. A. Cassidy	44 46	3 74	58 20
589	John F. Murphy	598 57	31 43	630 00
590	John F. Kelley	5 00	33	5 33
592	William Buckley	11,852 12	697 30	12,549 42
593	Walter Stewart	16 00	82	16 82
594	H. J. McLaughlin	1,565 35	86 10	1,651 45
595	G. R. Hopkins	186 31	9 31	195 62
596	T. A. Tolson	75 00	3 75	78 75
597	Charles S. Cudlipp	77 00	3 85	80 85
598	George Tobin	6 95	35	7 30
599	First National Bank	780 50	40 97	821 47
600	George W. Cissel	3,481 56	191 49	3,673 05
601	Joseph H. Bradley	124 95	6 64	131 59
602	George W. Cissel	7,264 19	426 18	7,690 37
603	Andrew Gleason	265 00	13 94	278 94
605	Stephen Talty	6,096 75	338 36	6,435 11
607	M. H. N. Kendig	3,861 14	212 35	4,073 49
608	A. P. Brown	436 22	21 81	458 03
609	Patrick Cook	33 04	1 65	34 69
610	John Ward	6 00	30	6 30
613	E. E. Barnes	18,210 00	-----	18,210 00
614	P. Murray	26 00	1 44	27 44
615	Joyce & Hussey	945 99	47 66	993 65
620	William Durr	200 00	10 00	210 00
621	Mrs. Acker	13 95	79	14 74
622	William F. Mattingly	499 77	85 29	585 06
623	E. Wheeler	9 46	51	9 97
625	Patrick Murray	3 63	21	3 84
626	N. W. Burchell	1 80	10	1 90
628	J. W. Forney	9 00	46	9 46
629	Lonisa Hill	16 00	80	16 80
630	John A. Ruff	3,252 20	180 49	3,432 69
631	School-fund of public schools	11,865 86	-----	11,865 86
632	A. Cluss	300 00	15 00	315 00
633	National Metropolitan Bank	2,195 61	131 74	2,327 35
635	William M. Ives & Sons	125 88	9 00	134 88
636	George Ryneal, jr.	8 50	85	9 35
637	Richard Smith	696 46	36 57	733 03
639	Henry Proutt	72 00	3 60	75 60
641	W. B. Todd	400 00	20 80	420 80
642	do	9 08	47	9 55
643	Lewis Clephane	400 00	21 00	421 00
645	W. A. Taylor	8 50	48	8 98
646	J. O. Clephane	825 00	43 31	868 31
648	Daniel Linkens	7 52	41	7 93
649	Henry Kaiser	28 00	1 40	29 40
651	T. E. Venable	636 00	33 39	669 39
652	Henry Birch	1,754 10	96 47	1,850 57

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Statement of claims against the late corporation of Washington, &c.—Continued.

No. of claims	In whose favor.	Principal.	Interest.	Amount paid.
653	Hugh Murray	\$899 07	\$47 20	\$946 27
654	William L. Newton	40 43	2 42	50 85
656	C. Kaufman	38 78	3 10	41 88
658	R. C. Hewitt	1,501 22	82 56	1,583 78
		669,585 80	38,137 43	707,723 23

Abstract of claims against the late corporation of Washington other than those approved by the auditing commissioners, paid by the commissioners of the sinking-fund.

Date of payment.	No. of voucher.		
1872.			
April 20	1	John J. Johnson, attorney, judgment ; J. W. Chew vs. City of Washington, No. 6207	\$1,092 70
20	2	D. E. Cahill, attorney, judgment ; Corporation of Washington vs. M. Breen, No. 7751	21 20
May 2	3	Chronicle Publishing Company, advertising	25 00
2	4	First National Bank vs. Corporation of Washington, judgment	1,279 63
10	5	National Republican, advertising	44 25
11	6	Evening Star Newspaper Company, advertising	28 00
21	7	Patriot Newspaper, advertising	14 00
24	8	Oliver Dufour, warrant 8097	24 33
24	9	W. C. Gill, assignee, warrant 7798	33 63
28	10	Benjamin F. French, book	2 50
June 3	11	William Ballantyne, warrants 2476 and 2499	28 10
13	12	William B. Webb, attorney, judgment	57 05
13	13	W. H. Slater, assignee, warrant 7789	4 77
13	14	Francis Miller, attorney, judgment	1,022 99
17	15	W. H. Slater, warrant 8207	61 84
18	16	Hall & Hume, warrant 7910½	125 12
21	17	R. L. B. Clark, warrant 3676	18 02
21	18	N. H. Miller, advertising	44 00
21	19	N. H. Miller, advertising	67 00
July 1	20	George Burgess, attorney, judgments	171 73
2	21	L. G. Hine, attorney, judgments	392 11
9	22	M. Thompson, attorney, judgment	4,000 00
August 2	23	John Neenan, redemption	18 19
13	24	National Republican, printing	96 00
31	25	C. Offenstein, warrant 8575	6 52
Sept. 5	26	B. H. Warner, warrant 3906	17 16
7	27	McGill & Witherow, printing	13 25
21	28	John C. Parker, blank books	64 00
28	29	William H. West, witness fees	15 00
Oct. 2	30	Dr. J. F. May, assignee, warrant 8363	92 12
4	31	R. R. White, assignee, warrant 7957	47 30
Nov. 4	32	G. W. Lerner, assignee, warrant 4502	29 03
9	33	Mary Ann Ellis, executrix, warrant 3254	23 79
15	34	W. H. Nalley, binding books	34 00
21	35	Ernest Rider, warrant 2177	7 35
26	36	George Follansbee, assignee, warrant 7873	42 32
Dec. 7	37	Gibson Brothers, costs of suit	92 00
19	38	John R. Pierce, fees as witness	13 75
1873.			
Jan. 17	39	A. G. Riddle, attorney, judgment	2,256 32
Feb. 6	40	Margarette O'Connor, taxes refunded	10 80
15	41	A. R. Shepherd & Co., account	15,705 94
18	42	Joseph Prather, taxes refunded	14 04
18	43	R. C. Hewitt, claim	9 765 30
19	44	George F. Adams, fees as witness	5 75

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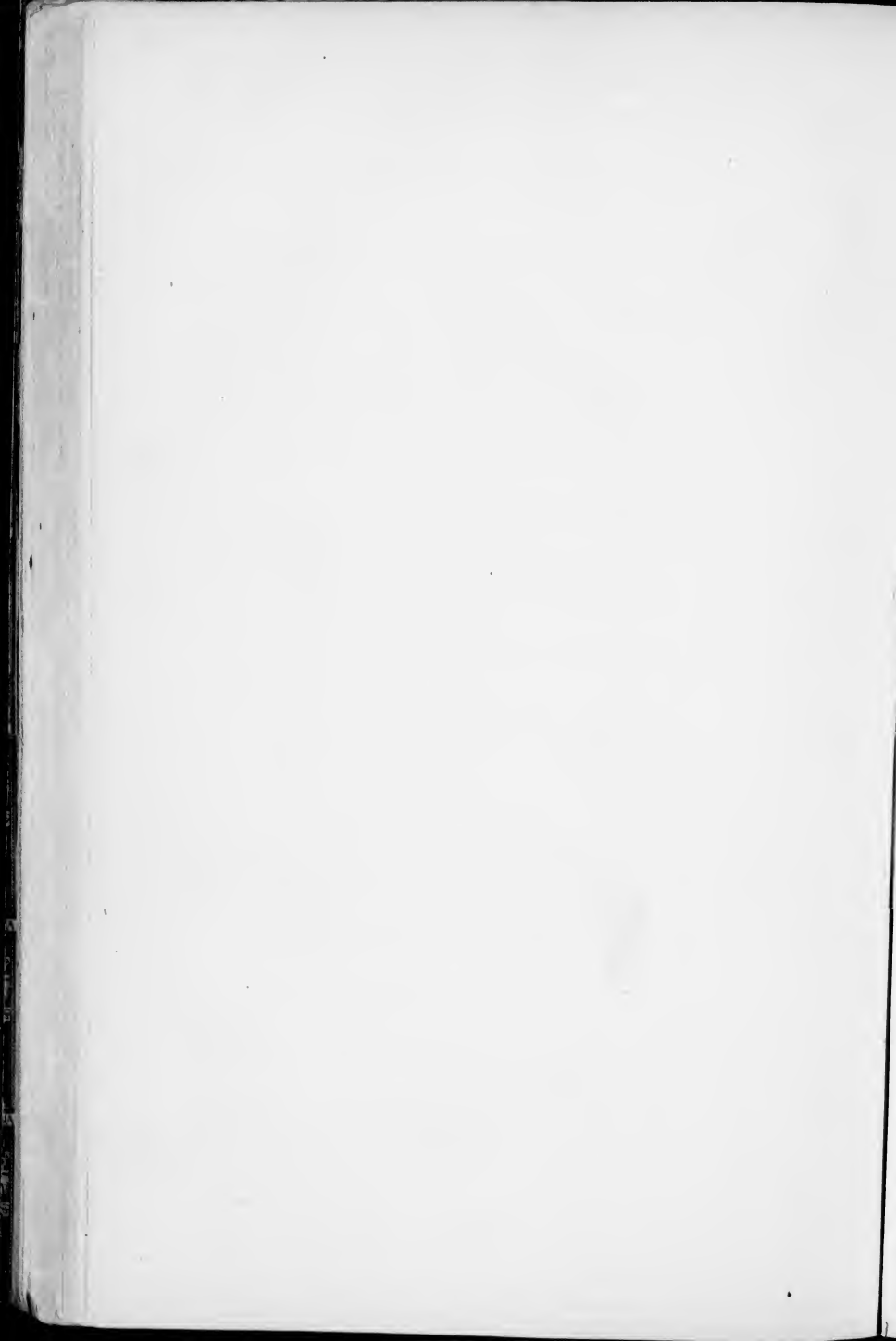
Abstract of claims against the late corporation of Washington, &c.—Continued.

Date of payment.	No. of voucher.		
1873.			
Feb. 24	45	J. B. Dodson, claim	\$1,360 55
25	46	Julia R. Platt, administratrix, erroneous tax	37 26
25	47	George W. Stickney, actuary, assignee of Cook & Islin	5,132 47
March 1	48	Patrick McCauley, claim	8 21
1	49	West & Lusby, warrant 5468	5 43
1	50	Albert Gleason, claim	1,785 09
3	51	John Grinder, witness	26 12
12	52	Theodore Sheekels, claim	1,407 06
14	53	Thomas Lewis, assignee, claim of Naylor	5,430 34
15	54	C. H. Islin, warrant 5193	13 46
15	55	Executors of V. Willett, taxes	81 24
16	56	Henry Kolb, claim	25 00
20	57	Thomas A. Brown, claim	397 60
20	58	Tench Tilghman, administrator, taxes refunded	33 75
21	59	J. M. Young, tax refunded	106 16
26	60	John J. Byrne, assignee, warrant 3688	16 59
27	61	George W. Phillips, constructing sewer	197 45
29	62	Kervand & Towers, stock books	20 00
31	63	James A. McGruder, claim	833 76
31	64	Frank Hume, assignee, claim	446 65
31	65	G. W. Stickney, actuary, assignee	2,015 41
April 1	66	Mrs. Z. Richards, trustee W. C. Association	442 00
1	67	A. R. Shepherd & Brother, warrant 5237	24 03
1	68	Michael Green, claim	280 61
1	69	W. H. Slater, claim	158 28
2	70	William Ballantyne, school-books	8,889 17
3	71	J. R. Ruff, assignee, claim	16,961 09
3	72	Samuel Ceas, claim	70 87
5	73	Samuel Ceas, assignee, claim H. McGinness	5,351 00
5	74	James G. Clephane, reporting trial	125 00
5	75	R. S. Davis, attorney of J. M. O'Donnell	45 10
5	76	George B. Chandler, H. M. Baker, and George Mason, attorneys	221 18
5	77	John G. Wellstood, printing bonds	3,432 00
8	78	George Staffan, witness	34 25
9	79	Thomas B. Florence, advertising	63 17
10	80	Wise & Callahan, warrant 2635	44 10
12	81	John A. Ruff, assignee, warrant 8,337	110 06
18	82	William Rothwell, assignee of J. G. Naylor	600 00
19	83	Gibson Brothers, printing	8 50
19	84	I. N. Carey, attorney, — Tronsdall, taxes	30 15
21	85	Louisa Hill, taxes erroneously paid	19 10
21	86	Gwin Green, claim	11 00
22	87	Georgetown Commercial Advertiser, advertising	6 00
23	88	E. A. Reid, assignee of James Ralph, claim	807 27
24	89	John A. Graham, taxes refunded	14 39
25	90	Washington Journal, advertising	16 50
28	91	John W. Dick, assignee, part certificate	709 57
May 1	92	J. T. Lenman, taxes refunded	237 20
6	93	United States marshal, costs of suit	31 00
9	94	William B. Todd, taxes refunded	47 50
9	95	Hall & Keefer, Jefferson school-building	1,015 00
12	96	James O'Conner, taxes refunded	3 04
19	97	B. F. French, blank-books	20 50
28	98	Sunday Gazette, advertising	10 50
June 3	99	C. H. Bliss, fees, witness	13 75
			96,163 45

Ten per cent. certificates for paving Pennsylvania, Louisiana, and Indiana avenues, paid by the commissioners of the sinking-fund.

Dec. 30, '72,—	Paid by Jay Cooke & Co.....	\$50,000 00	
	Interest.....	5,180 56	
			\$55,180 56
July 10, '72—	" Penn National Bank, Philadelphia.....	5,000 00	
	Interest.....	763 87	
			5,763 87
11,	" Riggs & Co.....	25,000 00	
	Interest.....	3,916 50	
			28,916 50
12,	" C. Bradley, cashier.....	8,908 39	
	Interest.....	1,365 93	
			10,274 32
13,	" Freedman's Savings & Trust Co.....	2,674 32	
	Interest.....	410 05	
			3,084 37
15,	" B. A. Janvier.....	2,000 00	
	Interest.....	304 17	
			2,304 17
17,	" H. C. Swain, cashier.....	2,000 00	
	Interest.....	308 87	
			2,308 87
22,	" J. A. Ruff, treasurer.....	31,440 45	
	Interest.....	4,908 22	
			36,348 67
25,	" H. C. Swain, cashier.....	2,946 08	
	Interest.....	461 55	
			3,407 63
25,	" H. C. Swain, cashier.....	10,000 00	
	Interest.....	1,566 66	
			11,566 66
27,	" H. C. Swain, cashier.....	2,096 65	
	Interest.....	337 79	
			2,434 44
Aug 1,	" Jay Cooke & Co.....	34,000 00	
	Interest.....	4,816 65	
			38,816 65
			200,406 71





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Ten per cent. certificates for canal improvements paid by the commissioners of the sinking-fund.

1872.				
July 10.	Paid to Riggs & Co.	\$2,000 00		
	interest.....	201 67		
			\$2,201 67	
Aug. 22.	" F. Dodge, agent	18,032 00		
	interest.....	2,169 13		
			20,251 13	
31.	" Riggs & Co.	2,000 00		
	interest.....	200 00		
			2,200 00	
Sept. 3.	" J. K. Roberts	372 68		
	interest.....	37 39		
			410 07	
9.	" Lewis Johnson & Co.	1,000 00		
	interest.....	100 00		
			1,100 00	
9.	" J. T. Evans	5,000 00		
	interest.....	500 00		
			5,500 00	
25.	" H. Semken	5,000 00		
	interest.....	500 00		
			5,500 00	
Oct. 1.	" J. Anthony	1,000 00		
	interest.....	100 00		
			1,100 00	
Nov. 23.	" G. P. Hopkins	2,000 00		
	interest.....	200 00		
			2,200 00	
27.	" J. F. Olmstead	18,000 00		
	interest.....	1,900 00		
			19,900 90	
Dec. 9.	" Fant, Washington & Co.	1,000 00		
	interest.....	100 00		
			1,100 00	
21.	" Wm. Smith	2,000 00		
	interest.....	200 00		
			2,200 00	
1873.				
Feb. 8.	" W. H. Thumlert	1,100 00		
	interest.....	100 00		
			1,100 00	
11.	" Thos. Bayne	1,100 00		
	interest.....	100 00		
			1,100 00	
14.	" P. Glennan	1,000 00		
	interest.....	100 00		
			1,100 00	
21.	" J. W. Orme	1,100 00		
	interest.....	100 00		
			1,100 00	
M'ch 31.	" G. W. Stickney, actuary	12,922 96		
	interest.....	1,471 78		
			14,394 74	
Apr. 1.	" Jay Cooke & Co.	10,000 00		
	interest.....	1,141 64		
			11,141 64	
			93,599 25	

Payments made to the board of public works on account of old contracts, &c., by the sinking-fund commission.

1873.				
Feb. 7.	Paid J. A. Magruder, treasurer,	F-street improvement	\$18,574 52	
	" " "	7th-street	17,787 96	
	" " "	N. Capitol st.	30,634 53	
	" " "	14th-street	33,002 99	
	" " "	"	100,000 00	
12.	" " "	"	53,931 32	
15.	" " "	"	6,955 20	
M'ch 6.	" " "	Sea-wall	15,622 16	
	" " "	Canal	40,812 33	
29.	" " "	P-street bridge, &c.		
			317,321 21	

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Payments made by the sinking-fund commission for the redemption of water-stock.

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Statement of ten-year bonds purchased by the sinking-fund commission.

Statement of ten-year bonds purchased by the sinking-fund commission.			
1872.			
Jan.	8.	\$1,500 from Jay Cooke & Co., at 87½	\$1,312 00
		" Lewis Johnson & Co., at 87½	875 00
Mar.	5.	6,300 " W. C. Bestor, at 92½	5,827 50
	6.	11,200 " " " "	10,360 00
	28.	11,250 " Lewis Johnson & Co., at 94½	10,631 25
	28.	4,700 " Samuel Cross, secretary, at 95½	4,488 50
	29.	1,000 " National Metropolitan Bank, at 95½	955 00
	29.	1,300 " Wm. F. Gardner, at 95½	1,241 50
	30.	900 " Washington City Orphan Asylum, at 95½	859 50
	30.	350 " Henry Bradley, at 92	322 00
1873.			
Apr.	22.	20,100 " Lewis Johnson & Co., at 95 and interest	19,470 10
	23.	1,550 " Barbour & Hamilton, at 97 flat	1,503 50
	23.	5,000 " H. J. Anderson, at 95 and interest	4,844 16
	24.	5,000 " J. A. Ruff, treasurer, at 97 flat	4,850 00
		2,000 " Jerome Callahan, at 94 flat	1,880 00
		3,000 " Jay Cooke & Co., at 95 and interest	2,906 00
		1,000 " H. C. Swain, cashier, at 95 and interest	968 66
	26.	5,550 " John McClelland, at 96 flat	5,325 00
May	8.	11,050 " Samuel Cross, at 97 flat	10,718 50
		93,750	89,341 77

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1872.

Jan'y 17.	Advertising proposals in Georgetown Courier	\$7 00
March 6.	" " Sunday Gazette	13 00
9.	" " Georgetown Courier	2 50
April 3.	" " Sunday Gazette	3 00
8.	" " Georgetown Courier	2 00
11.	" " Chronicle	12 64
May 2.	" " "	88 10
June 21.	" " Daily Washington Advertiser	47 00

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Payments by the commissioners of the sinking-fund on account of Washington and Alexandria Railroad bonds, guaranteed by the city of Washington.

March 15, 1873.	To J. C. McGuire	\$5,000 00
	Interest	700 00
		\$5,700 00
April 5, 1873.	To Riggs & Co	1,500 00
	Discount	1,052 83
		447 17
Making		6,147 17

WASHINGTON CITY, February 29, 1872.

The late corporation of the city of Washington in account with the District of Columbia, Dr.

Date of payment.	No. of warrant.	To whom, and for what purpose.	Debit.
1871.			
July 25	48	Geo. B. Baker, comptroller, to pay interest on bonds ..	\$2,539 50
25	49	do	2,000 00
26	54	do	3,000 00
27	83	do	3,000 00
28	92	do	5,000 00
31	115	do	10,000 00
August 2	126	do	3,043 72
28	160	do	421 57
30	179	do	1,000 00
30	180	do	1,295 75
		MEMORANDA.—The charges here made of moneys drawn by George E. Baker, comptroller, amounting in all to \$33,600.54, less amount credited as cash in hands of George E. Baker, comptroller, \$756.43. This amount, \$37,844.11, being the amount of coupons redeemed by him. To the above add the sum of \$1,649.10, which makes amount of coupons \$39,493.21, the said sum of \$1,649.10 being turned over to Geo. E. Baker, comptroller, by Z. Richards, for J. C. McKelden, late auditor, which is credited the late corporation, but not in this account.	
Oct. 3	120	First National Bank, to pay quarterly interest	13,292 74
Nov. 23	398	Geo. E. Baker, comptroller, to pay interest on bonds ..	7,300 00
Dec. 26	619	Moses Kelly, treasurer commissioners sinking-fund, (part,) to pay interest on bonds	28,106 83
30	635	Same, proceeds of bond-tax	55,180 56
1872.			
Jan. 19	729	Same, arrears of interest on stock	18,726 35
27	772	Proceeds arrears of taxes	20,000 00
		Same, to pay interest on bonds	18,346 73
1871.			
Sept. 23	16	Robert Fleming, completing Seaton school-building	\$5,000 00
30	47	Same, account same	24,844 17
			29,844 17
Oct. 2	60	Hunt & Williams, fourth district school-building	12,000 00
3	93	Adolf Cluss, architect Seaton school-building	2,262 23
5	187	Jas. G. Naylor, third district school-building	7,000 00

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The late corporation of the city of Washington in account, &c.—Continued.

Date of payment.	No. of warrant.	To whom, and for what purpose.	Debit.
1871. Sept. 22	247	Moses Kelly, account Hunt & Williams, fourth district school-building.....	\$11,000 00
Nov. 18	363	Hunt & Williams, fourth district school-building.....	5,000 00
24	409	A. R. Shepherd & Bros., fourth district school-building.....	2,000 00
27	420	Hunt & Williams, fourth district school-building.....	7,000 00
1872. Jan. 8	668	J. G. Naylor, third district school-building.....	3,300 00
1871. Oct. 4	127	D. S. Eaton, actuary, corporation warrant No. 8509, colored schools.....	22,029 19
	5	J. V. W. Vandenburg, completion of West and P street bridge.....	574 60
Nov. 16	334	J. V. W. Vandenburg, completion of West and P street bridge.....	130 62
	335	R. R. Shekell, inspector.....	198 00
	27	D. L. Eaton, actuary, account J. V. W. Vandenburg....	1,082 10
	29	R. R. Shekell, inspector.....	39 00
Dec. 11	528	J. V. W. Vandenburg, contractor.....	256 08
	15	J. W. Murphy, contractor.....	5,000 00
	21	D. L. Eaton, actuary, account J. W. V. Vandenburg, contractor.....	1,673 49
1872. Jan. 10	681	George Waters.....	1,532 70
	11	J. V. W. Vandenburg, contractor.....	915 77
	17	R. R. Shekell, inspector.....	156 00
	25	Theodore B. Samo.....	1,000 00
1871. Oct. 5	182	T. Shekell's account Saint Ann's Orphan Asylum, erroneous special assessment, act of legislative assembly August 23, 1871.....	824 60
Nov. 23	403	Wm. H. Moore, administrator, erroneous tax, act of legislative assembly August 23, 1871.....	54 00
Dec. 29	628	John O'Conner, erroneous tax, act of legislative assembly August 23, 1874.....	19 55
Nov. 18	366	J. A. Magruder, treasurer of board of public works, account of paving and sewerage Seventh street west.....	\$15,000 00
Dec. 4	492	Same, same account.....	88,150 67
	4	J. A. Magruder, treasurer of board of public works, account of paving and sewerage M street north.....	103,150 67
		Total debits.....	106,882 66
			517,179 18
Cr.			
1872. Feb. 29.		By cash in hands of G. E. Baker, comptroller, to redeem coupons.....	\$756 43
		Proceeds of bonds, tax of 10 per cent. of principal of Washington bonds.....	49,105 10
		Arrears of general taxes.....	45,450 09
		Arrears of canal tax.....	3,071 57
		Arrears of 10-year bond tax.....	2,906 66
		Temporary loan in anticipation of special-tax levy for payment of old corporation of Washington indebtedness, act January 19, 1872.....	500,000 00
March 1		By balance in favor of the late corporation of Washington, subject to the requisition of the commissioners of the sinking-fund.....	601,289 81
			84,110 63

I hereby certify that the foregoing statement of the account of the late corporation of Washington with the District of Columbia is correct.

GEO. E. BAKER,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, D. C., March 16, 1872.

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington City, March 16, 1872.

In my opinion it was competent for the legislative assembly to determine the amount due on any of the foregoing claims or demands, and wherever it has done so and made appropriations therefor, its action may properly be regarded as conclusive, and payments made accordingly by the comptroller are in all respects legal. I therefore regard all of the items in the foregoing account as stated correct and just.

WILLIAM A. COOK,
Attorney District of Columbia.

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Referring to the within certified statement of the comptroller of the District of Columbia, of the amounts received and disbursed for account of the late corporation of Washington, and the balance found due thereby to the said corporation, and to the opinion of the attorney of the said District that those disbursements made in pursuance of legislative enactments of said District were legal and just, the undersigned hereby accept said account and statement as a settlement to the date of same, March 1, 1872, between the District of Columbia and the late corporation, as provided in section nine of an act entitled "An act providing for the payment of the debts of the late corporation of Washington," approved January 19, 1872.

H. D. COOKE,
H. M. SWEENEY,
MOSES KELLY,
LEWIS J. DAVIS,
Commissioners of the Sinking-Fund.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *February 25, 1873.*

The act of the legislative assembly of the District of Columbia, entitled "An act to fund unsettled liabilities of the city of Washington, and providing for the issuing of bonds and levying and collecting taxes to pay the same," approved June 20, 1872, provides for the settlement by a special tribunal, or designated persons, consisting of the commissioners of the sinking-fund and the auditor and comptroller of the District, of all demands "arising out of contracts and obligations of the city of Washington," as well as of all other "claims" which may exist against it not "included" in the report of the auditing commission, or provided for in the act of Congress approved May 8, 1872.

The obvious purpose of this act was to effect an adjustment of all unsettled claims not included in previous acts. The rule of settlement established by the act is one not only of simple or rigid justice, but also of equity, and hence it is competent for the commission to exercise a sound judgment and discretion in the settlement of claims presented to it, unembarrassed by mere technicalities—whether presented by individuals, corporations, or governments. The adjustment of claims by the commission agreeably to the principle or rule mentioned I think will be justified both by the letter and spirit of the act of the legislative assembly.

WILLIAM A. COOK,
Attorney District Columbia.

Received of Moses Kelly, treasurer of the sinking-fund, nine hundred and fifty-six thousand one hundred and eighty-three dollars and forty-five cents, in payment of this account.

GEO. E. BAKER,
Comptroller.

MARCH 23, 1873.

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Dr.

THE LATE CORPORATION OF WASHINGTON CITY.

January 31, 1873.—To certain notes bearing interest, given for temporary loan under act January 19, 1872, anticipating the special taxes authorized for payment of any or all indebtedness:

Notes dated September 17, 1872, 6 months	\$207,454 37	
Notes dated September 17, 1872, 6 months	155,297 85	
Notes dated November 4, 1872, 4 months	210,229 50	
Notes dated November 22, 1872, 4 months	52,470 04	
Notes dated November 22, 1872, 4 months	52,470 04	
Notes dated November 28, 1872, 4 months	105,597 74	
	<hr/>	\$783,519 54
Interest adjusted to date of notes.		
Sundry accounts duly audited and approved for just claims and contracts and the necessary contingent and incidental expenses incurred in settlement of the affairs of said city to date of February 18, 1873, as per schedule	1,099,423 19	
Deduct for charges included in former settlement, March 16, 1872, under act January 19, 1872.....	601,289 81	
	<hr/>	498,133 38
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		1,281,652 92
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January 31, 1873.—To balance..... \$956,283 45

IN SPECIAL ACCOUNT WITH THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Cr.

1873.

Jan. 31—By proceeds temporary loan, under act legislative assembly January 19, 1872	\$750,000 00	
Less amount credit in the former settlement by the comptroller and the commissioners sinking-fund	500,000 00	\$2500,00 00
By proceeds arrears general tax	102,942 46	
Less amount credited in former settlement, as above.....	45,450 09	57,492 37
By proceeds arrears 10-year bond tax	6,233 03	
Less amount credited in former settlement, as above.....	2,906 66	3,326 37
By proceeds arrears canal-tax	6,344 72	
Less amount credited in former settlement, as above.....	3,071 53	3,273 19
By proceeds 10-year bond tax levy, 1871-72	54,870 55	
Less amount credited in former settlement, as above	49,105 10	5,765 45
By proceeds miscellaneous items:		
J. C. McKelden,		
by Z. Richards.....	\$1,649 10	
F. A. Boswell,		
transfer account.....	2,864 46	
J. C. Proctor,		
transfer account.....	1,754 96	
	<hr/>	6,268 52

Less amount credited in former settlement, as above.....	\$756 43	\$5, 512 09
Balance.....		956, 283 45
		<u>1, 231, 652 92</u>

Approved for \$956,283.45, by order of commissioners of sinking-fund, March 10, 1873.

L. J. DAVIS, *Secretary.*

AUDITOR'S OFFICE, D. C., *February 25, 1873.*

Having carefully examined the foregoing statement and the accompanying schedule, marked A, and having compared the items with entries made in the books of this office, I am satisfied that the statement is correct, and that the balance of nine hundred and fifty-six thousand two hundred and eighty-three dollars and forty-five cents is justly chargeable to the old indebtedness of the late corporation of Washington, and that it should be refunded to the District treasury by the commissioners of the sinking fund, in accordance with the act of the District legislature of June 20, 1872.

Z. RICHARDS,
Auditor, D. C.
GEO. E. BAKER,
Comptroller.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
Washington, D. C., February 14, 1873.

I hereby certify that I have made a careful personal examination of the following accounts against the late corporation of Washington City for just claims and contracts, and for the necessary contingent and incidental expenses incurred in settlement of the affairs of said city, which have been duly audited and paid by the comptroller in pursuance of law, and find the same payable out of the funds of the late corporation of Washington. The same are now presented to the commissioners of the sinking-fund for approval and final settlement, under the act of legislative assembly of June 20, 1872, passed in conformity to the requirements of the organic act, sections 17, 21, 22, and 40, and of the act of Congress approved May 8, 1873.

G. P. HOPKINS,
Deputy Comptroller, District of Columbia.

SCHEDULE A.

Schedule of vouchers paid on account of the late corporation of Washington, from June 1, 1871, to January 1, 1873, for which no tax has been levied.

Special tax, trust fund, act of Congress approved May 8, 1872 :		
Paid vouchers on file.....		\$22, 874 04
Warrant 20. Richards, Z., temporary officer, salary.....		250 00
21. Morgan, William, temporary officer, salary.....		187 50
22. Petty, J. T., temporary officer, salary.....		187 50
23. Larner, G. A., temporary officer, salary.....		150 00
24. Ourand, S., temporary officer, salary.....		150 00
25. Crocker, J. S., temporary officer, salary.....		150 00
26. Cook, J. F., temporary officer, salary.....		350 00
27. Doughty, J. E., temporary officer, salary.....		187 50
28. Clark, J. E., temporary officer, salary.....		150 00
30. Johnson, Ben., temporary officer, salary.....		110 00
42-3. Anderson, O. P., temporary officer, salary.....		97 50
48. Coupons 10-year bonds.....	2, 539 50	
49. Coupons 10-year bonds.....	2, 000 00	
54. Coupons 10-year bonds.....	3, 000 00	
73. Swaggart, C. W., temporary officer, salary.....	100 00	
81. Dennison, W. O., redemption of lot.....	9 39	
83. Coupons 10-year bonds.....	3, 000 00	
92. Coupons 3 and 5 year bonds.....	5, 000 00	
95. Day, A., temporary officer.....	62 50	
97. McFarland, S., temporary officer.....	95 55	
101. Cook, J. F., refund for error in tax-sale.....	118 30	

Warrant 103.	Jones, C. S., refund for error in tax-sale.....	\$4 86
107.	Hall, J. C., refund for redemption of lot.....	39 83
111.	Hatton, G. W., temporary officer.....	95 55
113.	Pechin, M., temporary officer.....	125 00
115.	Coupons 3 and 5 year bonds.....	10,000 00
116.	Hughes, W. A., temporary officer, salary.....	62 50
126.	Baker, G. E., coupons 3 and 5 year bonds.....	3,043 72
127.	Ward commissioners and laborers.....	12,000 00
131.	Bradford, William, temporary officer.....	15 00
132.	Burns, John, temporary officer.....	12 50
141.	Wilcox, W. R., temporary officer.....	150 00
144.	Hodgson, J. F., temporary officer.....	100 00
151.	Forsyth, William, temporary officer.....	187 50
154.	Teachers holding over.....	26,838 19
160.	Coupons 5-year bonds.....	421 57
173.	Anderson, D. W., temporary officer.....	29 86
179.	Coupons 3 and 5 year bonds.....	1,000 00
180.	Coupons 5-year bonds.....	1,295 75
186-7.	Tobin, James, refund for error in tax-sale.....	57 30
188.	Downman, R. W., refund for duplicate in tax-sale.....	52 90
195.	Simms, John, temporary officer.....	29 86
210-11.	Todd, W. B., refund for error in tax-sale.....	37 43
219.	Bramhall, A. T., refund for error in tax-sale.....	4 85
227.	Todd, W. B., refund for error in tax-sale.....	129 48
238.	Soldiers 1812, debt to same.....	150 00
247.	Jefferson school-building.....	11,000 00
1.	Bodler, Charles E., rent school-room, 2d district.....	100 00
8.	Hatton, G. W., temporary officer.....	148 87
12.	Tindall, William, temporary officer.....	490 00
14.	Towles, James, rent school-room, 2d district.....	150 00
16.	Fleming, Robert, school-house, 3d district.....	5,000 00
18.	Potter, W. W., temporary officer, salary.....	709 66
20.	Crocker, J. S., temporary officer, salary.....	179 33
21.	McGill, J. D., advertising for auditing commission.....	9 00
30.	Jullien, P. A., commissioner of indebtedness.....	130 00
40.	Brooks, John R., temporary officer.....	276 67
42.	Slater, W. H., temporary officer.....	2,050 00
44.	Hartigan, J. F., temporary officer.....	113 33
47.	Fleming, Robert J., contract for school-house.....	24,844 17
51.	Hayne, Michael, temporary officer.....	113 42
52.	Underwood, A., temporary officer.....	150 00
58.	Hughes, W. A., temporary officer.....	105 47
60.	Hunt & Williams, contract for school-house.....	12,000 00
61.	Anderson, O. P., temporary officer.....	130 60
65.	Swaggart, C. W., temporary officer.....	130 58
68.	Ourand, Samuel, temporary officer.....	100 00
71.	Fowler, Harvey, refund of tax.....	6 84
73.	Simms, John A., temporary officer.....	52 08
78.	Larner, G. W., temporary officer.....	207 11
81.	Bassett, George T., supplies Washington Asylum.....	1,331 16
83.	Baker, George E., temporary officer.....	543 49
84.	Richards, Z., temporary officer.....	433 78
85.	Ourand, S., temporary officer.....	105 17
88.	Petty, J. T., temporary officer.....	123 29
95.	Cluss, A., architect 2d district school-house.....	2,262 23
102.	Pumphrey, J., hook and ladder house.....	1,161 00
103.	Doraldson, S. H., repairs school-house 4th district.....	904 96
106.	McDermott, J., repairs hose-carriage.....	110 00
107.	White, C. H., supplies Washington Asylum.....	281 83
115.	Cook, J. F., temporary officer.....	529 31
116.	Doughty, J. E., temporary officer.....	283 56
117.	Clark, J. E., temporary officer.....	226 84
120.	Bank, First National, interest on stock-bonds registered.....	13,292 74
121.	Covington, R., work on engine-house.....	81 00
122.	Magee, J. N., work on hook and ladder house.....	82 60
125.	Morgan, William, temporary officer.....	280 31
127.	School, colored, corporation warrant 8509.....	22,029 19
128.	Day, A., temporary officer.....	105 47
144.	Wallace, R. B., rent of school-room.....	25 00
150.	Curtis, Charles, temporary officer.....	244 42
174.	Cook, W. A., temporary officer.....	375 00

Warrant 177.	Green, P. H., temporary officer.....	\$30 82
182.	Asylum, Saint Ann's, relief from special tax.....	824 62
186.	Vandenburg, J. V. W., P-street bridge.....	574 60
187.	Naylor, James G., school-house, third district.....	7, 000 00
201.	Zimmerman, H. F., furniture for auditing commission.....	30 00
218.	Hodgson, Joseph F., temporary officer.....	151 23
224.	Washington Gas Company, gas for street-lamps, June, 1871.....	4, 290 95
260.	Porter, Lewis, refund for tax-list.....	59 43
261.	Corroll, J. G., supplies, Washington Asylum.....	1, 184 52
291.	Webster, A., recording old papers.....	146 75
299.	Philp & Solomon, stationery for auditing commission.....	440 43
305.	Todd, W. B., redemption of lot.....	22 24
334.	Vandenburg, J. V. W., P-street bridge.....	130 62
335.	Shekell, R. R., P-street bridge.....	198 00
363.	Hunt & Williams, school-house, fourth district.....	5, 000 00
366.	Magruder, James A., treasurer, Seventh street improvement.....	15, 000 00
383.	Forsyth, William, temporary officer.....	340 27
394.	Times, The, advertising for auditing commission.....	4 60
398.	Baker, George E., coupons, Washington bonds.....	7, 300 00
403.	Moore, W. H., refunding tax.....	54 00
409.	Shepherd, A. R., heating-apparatus, fourth district school-building.....	2, 000 00
420.	Hunt & Williams, school-house, fourth district.....	7, 000 00
422.	Vandenburg, J. V. W., P-street bridge.....	1, 082 10
464.	Middleton, Eliza, refunding tax.....	4 04
464.	Shekell, R. R., P-street bridge.....	39 00
492.	Magruder, James A., treasurer, Seventh-street improvement.....	88, 150 67
493.	Magruder, James A., treasurer, M-street improvement.....	106, 882 66
498.	Webster, A., recording old papers.....	207 61
528.	Vandenburg, J. V. W., P-street bridge.....	256 08
557.	Murphy, J. W., P-street bridge.....	5, 000 00
592.	Vandenburg, J. V. W., P-street bridge.....	1, 673 49
611.	Webster, A., recording old papers.....	229 81
617.	McGill, J. D., advertising for auditing commission.....	7 50
619.	Kelly, M., interest on bonds.....	28, 106 83
622.	Jullien, P. A., services commission indebtedness.....	100 00
628.	O'Connor & Scott, refunding tax, &c.....	20 55
635.	Kelly, M., treasurer, indebtedness Washington corporation.....	55, 180 56
668.	Naylor, J. G., school-house, third district.....	3, 300 00
681.	Vandenburg, J. V. W., P-street bridge.....	765 35
686.	Vandenburg, J. V. W., P-street bridge.....	457 89
722.	Shekell, R. R., West and P-street bridge.....	78 00
728.	Murtagh, W. J., advertising commission indebtedness, H. D.....	6 00
729.	Kelly, M., treasurer, interest on stocks, &c.....	38, 726 35
762.	Samo, Theodore B., West and P-street bridge.....	500 00
771.	Forney, J. W. & D. C., advertising, auditing commission.....	27 04
772.	Kelly, M., treasurer, interest 7.30 certificates.....	18, 346 73
784.	Evening Star, advertising, auditing commission.....	70 00
831.	Wright, J., examining work of A. Gleason.....	50 00
844.	Webster, A., copying old records.....	367 91
955.	Faehitz, E. F. M., services auditing commission.....	900 00
952.	Schwartz, J., refunding tax.....	30 50
952.	Green, Mrs. S., refunding tax.....	24 47
952.	Haynes, James, refunding tax.....	20 55
952.	Roach, Hannah, refunding tax.....	84 18
952.	McPherson, W. B., refunding tax.....	9 40
952.	Johnson, William M., refunding tax.....	14 55
955.	Magruder, James A., auditing commission.....	1, 500 00
961.	Eaton, D. L., auditing commission.....	3, 600 00
968.	Murtagh, W. J., advertising, auditing commission.....	327 75
993.	Bartlett, F. J., advertising, auditing commission.....	85 50
1012.	Hunt & Williams, school-building, fourth district.....	3, 000 00
1037.	Kelly, Moses, school-building, fourth district.....	6, 000 00
1042.	Landrick, Isaac, erroneous tax-sale.....	6 27
1042.	Harris, Angella, redeemed lot sold for taxes.....	4 75
1044.	Baker, George E., interest five and ten year bonds, 7.30 certificates.....	750 00
1058.	Kelly, Moses, indebtedness corporation, Washington.....	84, 110 63
1067.	Shepherd & Bro., A. R., heating-apparatus third district school.....	2, 000 00
1075.	Carroll, L., refunding tax, corporation of Washington.....	34 88

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Warrant 1092.	Pratt, Fred., auditing commission	\$150 00
1104.	Kelly, Moses, interest on Washington and Georgetown stock	13,292 74
1113.	Philp & Solomons, auditing commission	31 40
1150.	Milburn, Margaret, refunding tax	12 89
1178.	Hunt & Williams, school-building, fourth district	6,000 00
1181.	Florence, Thomas B., advertising auditing commission	40 50
1187.	Kelly, Moses, account Hunt & Williams, school-building, fourth district	3,000 00
1195.	Armes, Charles H., refunding tax	80 15
1211.	Hunt & Williams, school-building, fourth district	2,000 00
1238.	Kelly, Moses, indebtedness, corporation Washington	150,000 00
1257.	Hunt & Williams, school-building, fourth district	4,000 00
1301.	Yoder, Charles T., refunding tax	2 92
1304.	Kelly, Moses, interest, Washington certificates	7,300 00
1311.	Kelly, Moses, indebtedness, corporation Washington	230,000 00
1313.	Naylor, J. G., school-building, third district	2,800 00
1317.	Shepherd & Bro., A. R., heating-apparatus, third district school	719 00
1362.	Gier, Bernard, refunding tax	9 08
1372.	White, G. H., & Bro., account H. & W., school-building, fourth district	4,000 00
1380.	Hunt & Williams, school-building, fourth district	6,000 00
1400.	Toumey, Patrick, erroneous assessment, 1869-70	17 34
1400.	Arthur, P. H., erroneous payment tax, 1869-70	2 13
1400.	Griffin, E. W. W., erroneous payment tax, 1869-70	8 18
1400.	White, M. W., erroneous payment tax, 1870	36 00
1408.	Hunt & Williams, school-building, fourth district	5,000 00
1438.	Kelly, Moses, interest on Washington bonds	28,106 83
1458.	Kelly, Moses, funding loan bonds	100,000 00
1460.	Kelly, Moses, funding loan bonds	100,000 00
1468.	Kelly, Moses, funding loan bonds	188,000 00
1476.	Kelly, Moses, interest on stock and bonds	18,346 73
1494.	Sniffin, Theo., erroneous tax-sale	22 50
1494.	Taylor, Sophia, duplicate payment of taxes	6 40
1495.	Boswell, A. M., clerk to committee on indebtedness, house of delegates, D. C.	455 00
1495.	Olive, W. S., clerk to committee on indebtedness, house of delegates, D. C.	455 00
1548.	Johnson, D. T., improvements, being account Twelfth street Methodist church	135 00
1551.	Dutton, G. W., erroneous assessment	24 30
1553.	Ott, Jos. J., recording wills, filed in office register of wills to 1863	500 00
1572.	Kelly, Moses, funding loan bonds, Washington	42,000 00
1587.	Hunt & Williams, school-building, fourth district	9,365 20
1665.	Bailey, Maria, erroneous assessments lighting streets, 1867	3 84
1689.	Sanders, R. L., refunding tax	12 55
1712.	Hunt & Williams, school-building, fourth district	9,607 00
1762.	Erdman, A., auditing commission	229 76
1779.	Hunt & Williams, school-building, fourth district	3,000 00
1814.	Hunt & Williams, school-building, fourth district	4,000 00
1841.	Kelly, Moses, interest Washington bonds, (from May 20 to June 30, 1872)	1,622 23
1851.	Kelly, Moses, interest and principal, canal-certificates	19,900 00
1890.	Naylor, Jas. G., school-building, third district	102 40
1909.	Baker, Geo. E., coupons redeemed	298 97
1909.	Colored schools, vouchers on file, sundry payment being on account contracts school-buildings per vouchers above included, Nos. 247, 16, 47, 60, 95, 187, 363, 405, 420, 668, 1012, 1037, 1067, 1178, 1187, 1211, 1287, 1313, 1317, 1372, 1380, 1408, 1587, 1712, 1779, 1814, 1890	65,548 21
	The payments, as per written schedule, proceeds of Washington funding bonds, are submitted in the special account for settlement by the commissioners of the sinking fund, as stated therein, to the amount of	630,500 00
	The balance of payments, as per written schedule, are submitted to the auditor, comptroller, and commissioners sinking-fund for adjustment and final settlement, under the act of June 20, 1872, as per special account herewith, to the amount of	1,099,423 19

The vouchers in support of the within schedule "A" are on file in the office of comptroller, District of Columbia, and known as per accounts numbered as per marginal references.

G. P. HOPKINS,
Deputy Comptroller D. C.

Statement of claims against the late corporation of Georgetown, approved by the auditing commission, and paid by the commissioners of the sinking-fund.

No. of claim.	In whose favor.	Principal.	Interest.	Amount paid.
4	David M. Wheeler.....	\$6 67	\$0 33	\$7 00
129	Jno. T. Mitchell.....	2,624 09	170 62	2,794 71
299	M. Adler & W. H. Dougal.....	480 00	33 44	513 44
423	Mayfield & Hieston.....	86 00	4 30	90 30
425	M. Murphy.....	7 44	53	7 97
627	H. P. Litchfield.....	20 48	1 33	21 81
634	N. T. Duvall.....	38 08	2 12	40 20
644	A. Hyde.....	5,496 72	384 77	5,881 49
		8,759 48	597 44	9,356 92

Statement of claims against the late levy court, approved by the auditing commission, and paid by the commissioners of the sinking-fund.

No. of claim.	In whose favor.	Principal.	Interest.	Amount paid.
5	David M. Wheeler.....	\$3 33	\$0 17	\$3 50
24	Nicholas Dubois.....	97 50	4 87	102 37
27	A. Webster.....	66 11	3 47	69 58
35	C. E. Creecy and R. D. Mussey.....	1,100 00	74 25	1,174 25
62	Daniel Genan.....	192 50	11 55	204 05
68	Henry White.....	200 00	10 20	210 20
168	James E. Paine.....	383 34	25 55	408 89
175	W. R. Woodward.....	2,605 00	165 85	2,770 85
181	C. Grammar.....	200 00	32 26	232 26
187	Tobias Boudinot.....	61 13	4 23	65 36
193	J. T. H. Hall.....	400 00	26 66	426 66
199	G. W. Linville & Co.....	16 65	1 12	17 77
204	Edw. R. Tyler.....	30 00	2 01	32 01
210	National Metropolitan Bank.....	9,000 00	856 31	9,856 31
211	National Metropolitan Bank.....	2,500 00	283 85	2,783 85
212	National Metropolitan Bank.....	166 66	11 10	177 76
260	P. Thyson.....	66 67	3 33	70 00
264	James Anderson.....	29 92	1 49	31 41
297	John Douglass.....	350 80	25 49	376 29
307	Charles King.....	40 50	2 14	42 64
314	National Republican.....	5 25	34	5 59
318	Henry Keller.....	10 98	81	11 79
322	N. Callan.....	447 93	29 86	477 79
323	N. Callan.....	90 00	6 00	96 00
338	Kneesi & Norfleet.....	60 25	4 15	64 40
345	B. T. Swart.....	2,357 91	150 12	2,508 03
352	T. Boudinot.....	70 00	4 85	74 85
378	P. Shoemaker.....	750 00	50 00	800 00
382	P. Shoemaker.....	300 00	20 00	320 00
383	A. Sharp.....	2 00	12	2 12
395	E. J. Middleton, jr.....	60 98	4 30	65 28

Statement of claims against the late levy court, &c.—Continued.

No. of claim.	In whose favor.	Principal.	Interest.	Amount paid.
450	W. S. Huntington	\$929 45	\$61 96	\$991 41
451	Francis Germuller	15 00	1 05	16 05
463	S. F. Suit	200 00	20 00	220 00
466	W. N. Potter	37 38	4 62	42 00
485	A. G. Riddle	100 00	5 25	105 25
491	W. B. Todd	500 00	57 33	557 33
522	W. A. Young	225 00	15 60	240 60
529	S. P. Brown & Son	447 80	29 85	477 65
638	J. Harshman	6 00	30	6 30
640	William Piedmont	12 00	82	12 82
647	P. Shoemaker	52 00	3 47	55 47
650	J. H. Mead	17 88	1 25	19 13
		24,207 92	2,017 95	26,225 87

APPENDIX A c.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING-FUND,
Washington City, November 27, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: We have received your communication of the 19th instant, requesting us to submit estimates of salaries and contingent expenses of this office from December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875, and from July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876.

In reply, we respectfully have to say that the amounts usually allowed us prior to June last, were—

For salary of treasurer, per annum	\$400
For salary of book-keeper, per annum	600
For contingent expenses	800

The act of 29th August, 1871, creating this office, limited its duties to a very narrow sphere, and the cost of discharging them was but nominal.

The imposition of other duties, however, under subsequent acts, not only of the legislative assembly, but of Congress, such as auditing and funding the outstanding indebtedness of the cities of Washington and Georgetown, and of the levy court, and issuing bonds in payment thereof; the issuing of special water-fund, sewerage, and improvement certificates; the duty of holding the assessment-certificates, collecting and applying the amount from time to time paid thereon; and more recently, the great labor of preparing, executing, and paying out the new fifty-year bonds, to the amount of several millions of dollars in exchange for the thousands of certificates of the board of audit, has added so largely to our business as to render it impossible to have it performed with the means thus afforded. We were therefore under the necessity of employing a secretary at the expense of our contingent fund, up to 30th June last, since which time we have requested him to be placed upon your roll of employes, it being made his duty by act of 20th June last to sign the fifty-year bonds now being issued. We also from time to time, as occasion required, employed temporary clerical aid, paying therefor out of the same fund. This, however, being nearly exhausted, you have kindly furnished us with assistance from your office; but even with this, two or more of us are in constant daily attendance, giving personal supervision to the operations of this important branch of the public service. These labors, gratuitously performed, are taking up much more of our time than we could reasonably be expected thus to give, and it would seem but just that some measure be adopted for our relief. If the commission be continued, as at present, and required to attend to the various matters above enumerated, including the payment of the interest-coupons upon the fifty-year bonds, we are of opinion that it should be allowed a competent book-keeper and at least three good clerks, and for these we would submit an estimate at the rate of twelve hundred dollars a year for each:

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From the 1st December, 1874, to 30th June, 1875.....	\$2, 800
From 1st July, 1875, to 30th June, 1876.....	4, 800
For one messenger—	
From 1st December, 1874, to 30th June, 1875.....	350
From 1st July, 1875, to 30th June, 1876.....	600
For contingent expenses—	
From 1st December, 1874, to 30th June, 1875.....	1, 050
From 1st July, 1875, to 30th June, 1876.....	1, 800

Suitable provision should also be made for the treasurer, whose office is one of great labor and responsibility.

If, however, as we most earnestly recommend, the duties of the commission can be so far transferred to officers of the Treasury Department, designated for that purpose, that the interest-coupons upon the fifty-year and other bonds can be paid by its agents in New York City, already having proper facilities therefor, the amount required would be reduced at least fifty per cent. We make no estimate for office-rent, presuming suitable accommodations will be furnished in the buildings occupied by you.

With much respect, your obedient servants,

MOSES KELLY,
H. M. SWEENEY,
LEWIS J. DAVIS,
W. W. CORCORAN,

Commissioners of the Sinking-Fund.

The COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT COLUMBIA.

ENGINEER'S REPORT.

ENGINEER'S OFFICE, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, November 20, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to submit the following report upon the duties assigned to me, under your supervision, in pursuance of the act of Congress approved June 20, 1874, and by your subsequent orders, viz :

SECTION 3. (Act above referred to.) That the President of the United States shall detail an officer of the Engineer Corps of the Army of the United States, who shall, subject to the general supervision and direction of said board of commissioners, have control and charge of the work of repair and improvement of all streets, avenues, alleys, sewers, roads, and bridges of the District of Columbia, and he is hereby vested with all the power and authority of, and shall perform all the duties heretofore devolved upon, the chief engineer of the board of public works. He shall take possession of, and preserve and keep, all the instruments pertaining to said office, and all maps, charts, surveys, books, records, and papers relating to said District, or to any of the avenues, streets, alleys, public spaces, squares, lots, and buildings thereon, sewers, or any of them, as are now in or belonging to the office of the said engineer of the board of public works, and shall, in books provided for that purpose, keep and preserve the records now required to be kept, and such as may be required by regulations of said board. He may, with the advice and consent of said board of commissioners, appoint not more than two assistant engineers from civil life, who shall receive a salary of one thousand eight hundred dollars per annum, and shall be subject to his direction and control. He shall receive no additional compensation for such services. And he shall not be deemed by reason of anything in this act contained to hold a civil office under the laws of the United States.

HEADQUARTERS CORPS OF ENGINEERS,

Washington, D. C., July 2, 1874.

SIR: By directions of the Secretary of War. you are hereby relieved from duty under the orders of Lieut. George M. Wheeler, and will report at once to the commissioners for the District of Columbia at the Arlington, as engineer to the board.

By order of Brigadier-General Humphreys.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

THOS. LINCOLN CASEY,

Major of Engineers,

Lieut. RICHARD L. HOXIE,

Corps of Engineers, Washington, D. C.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,

Washington, July 6, 1874.

DEAR SIR: I am directed by the commissioners to request you to take charge of the books, records, and property of the late board of public works, and cause an inventory to be made of the same.

Very respectfully,

WM. TINDALL,

Secretary to Commissioners.

Lieut. R. L. HOXIE,

Engineer, &c., &c.

In conformity with the foregoing, I assumed control on July 7, 1874, of the work of repair and improvement heretofore devolving upon the board of public works, and organized the engineer's office for this purpose.

At this time contractors and others claiming contracts were at work with a view to establish their claims. The 3.65 bonds provided for meeting the existing legal obligations of the District had apparently induced many who had long since abandoned their work to resume without authority or directions. They were now working at random, without plans or supervision.

The last reports of the superintendents of the board of public works show that twenty contracts were in operation June 30, 1874.

On July 9 I found forty-two in operation, including the main-sewer contracts.

Under your general order of July 17 all of this work was suspended except the work upon the main sewers, in order to admit of a preliminary survey and measurement of the work, and an examination of the contract under which the right to proceed was claimed.

A strict interpretation of the law would have required simply that I should begin with the work where I found it, and incur no responsibility for that which had been already done; but the necessity for a settlement with contractors for work upon unfinished contracts, in order to enable them to proceed, compelled me to undertake for the board of audit the labor of measuring and inspecting all such work as it was desirable to continue.

Owing to the imperfect state of the records and accounts of the engineer's office of the board of public works, each of these examinations has been a task of considerable magnitude, but both have been made in each case in which you have revoked the order of suspension and allowed the work to proceed.

Before any decision upon the recommendation to be made, a number of considerations have presented themselves. While the general character of the improvements designed to be made was in accordance with definite plans, the details of the plans had not been worked out nor provided for, and the limitation of the commissioners to existing legal obligations confining them to the work actually provided for in valid contracts, necessitated a careful scrutiny of what could lawfully be

done. A sudden rush of claims for contracts which had lain dormant while unprofitable was made at the outset, and while some of these claims were found to be without foundation, others brought to notice, as did the numerous applications for improvements, unfinished contract-work to be completed and completed contracts upon which additional work was very much needed.

Next to the validity of the claim, I have considered the expediency of doing the work, and in all doubtful cases the latter has been decisive as to the recommendation to be made. These recommendations have been made simply in the interest of the work, prompt action being indispensable in the premises, and even where they have a legal status by the expressed opinion of the attorney of the District, no final action upon the claim has been taken by you, since this is the province of the board of audit, before whom all matters connected with these contracts must come for examination and settlement.

In each case where the order of suspension has been revoked a letter has been written to the contractor notifying him of this fact, accompanied by the following circular:

ENGINEER'S OFFICE, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, 1874.

SIR: I am directed by the commissioners of the District of Columbia to notify you that, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved June 20, 1874, entitled "An act for the government of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes," all claims existing, or hereafter created, for which no evidence of indebtedness has been issued, arising out of contracts made by the board of public works, are required to be examined and audited for settlement by the board of audit created by said act of Congress, consisting of the First and Second Comptrollers of the Treasury of the United States. The act of Congress provides that said board of audit shall, after such examination and audit, issue to each claimant a certificate signed by each of said board, and countersigned by the comptroller of said District, stating the amount, if any, which may have been found to be due to each claimant, and on what account.

The sinking-fund commissioners of the District are authorized by the law to exchange, at par, certain bonds of the District of Columbia provided for in said act, payable fifty (50) years from August 1, 1874, and bearing interest at the rate of three and sixty-five hundredths per centum per annum, for the indebtedness evidenced by said certificates of the auditing board.

No other provision is made for payment for work done, or hereafter to be done, under contracts made with the board of public works.

The disposition of the appropriations made by Congress, and of the revenue from taxes and other sources of the District of Columbia, is controlled by act of Congress, and neither the appropriations nor the revenue from taxes or other sources are available for payment of said work. The continuance of the work, therefore, under such contracts must be at the risk of the contractor in respect of the examination of his accounts by the board of audit and the mode of payment.

Very respectfully,

R. L. HOXIE,
Lieutenant Engineers U. S. A., Engineer D. C.

Whenever it has been necessary to authorize extra work under a contract in order to properly complete the work required under it, the express stipulation has been made that payment shall be received in 3.65 bonds upon the certificate of the board of audit.

Ninety-nine contracts have been so resumed. Of these eighteen are completed and have received final measurement, and upon the remainder work is progressing. Final measurements have also been made upon twenty contracts which were completed under the late board of public works, but which did not reach a final measurement.

The condition of the work of repair and improvement is as follows:

Upon the Tiber Creek sewer, draining an area of two thousand acres, with its outlet in the James Creek Canal, there were, on July 9, five con-

tracts in operation upon different parts of the work, and two others had been terminated by the completion of their sections.

The gravel-pit and inlet on Eighth street, northwest, beyond the boundary, built by Sylvanus Gleason, and completed last summer, is well constructed and substantial. It receives the water from the most westerly branch of Tiber Creek and introduces it into a 6-foot sewer, which is of ample capacity.

The gravel-pit and inlet on First street, northwest, beyond the boundary, built by W. H. Adams, and completed in January last, is well constructed and substantial; receives the water of the westerly main branch of Tiber Creek and introduces it into a 9-foot brick sewer of ample capacity. These two inlets receive all the water falling outside of Boundary street, which passes through the Tiber Creek sewer, the other branches of the creek being taken up by the intercepting sewer along Boundary street and carried into Anacostia Creek.

The 6-foot sewer on Eighth street, northwest, beginning at the gravel-pit and running down Eighth street to R street north, was built by George Follansbee, and completed in June, 1873. After a careful inspection, I have condemned the entire work. The arch has fallen in places, and is dangerous throughout. The fault seems to be both in bad workmanship and defective plan. It is a two-ring sewer, and should have been of three rings. The invert is laid without support upon bad ground. No back spandril appears to have been used, and the invert has flattened, letting down the arch and spreading it at the springing line; the key of the arch is cracked, bent inward, or fallen at almost every point, and indicates the speedy destruction of the entire line. Very little, if any, of the present sewer should be allowed to remain. The rebuilding should be commenced at once, taking advantage of all fair weather during the winter, as the spring-rains may bring disaster. Estimated cost, \$25,000 cash.

The 9-foot sewer which connects with this, extending down R street, New Jersey avenue, and other streets to its junction with the O street sewer, was built by W. H. Adams, and completed in June, 1873. It seems to be in good order, and is of sufficient capacity.

The 9-foot sewer, extending from the gravel-pit on First street, northwest, along First street to O street, and along O to the commencement of a 13-foot brick sewer, was built by the same contractor, under an existing contract, No. 831. This work is defective. About fifty feet of the arch is cracked, and will require rebuilding. The cracking seems to have been caused by the settling and spreading of the invert, but the workmanship is not good. No immediate action is necessary, but the arch at this point should be rebuilt next summer.

The main Tiber sewer, commencing at the junction of the two nine-foot sewers, was intended to be of brick, semicircular cross-section, twenty feet in diameter, flat reversed arch invert, and extending to North Capitol street, where it was to join the section in course of construction by Bartlett & Williams. About six hundred feet of side walls were built, and a large quantity of brick on hand on the site of the work. The side-walls were constructed without bond-stones and of worthless cement, and the bricks on hand were of very inferior quality and unfit for use. I have condemned the side-walls and the material on hand, changed the location of the sewer from O street to the bed of the creek, shortening the line along North Capitol street by about two hundred and twenty-seven feet. I have also changed the cross-section of this part of the sewer to a thirteen-foot circle of brick with concrete foundation and back spandril, side-walls and spandril of stone-

masonry. By the change of cross-section, and the shortening of the line, the cost of the main sewer is reduced about \$26,000.

The work upon this part of the sewer has progressed slowly until the present time, when the contractor is unable to continue. One hundred and twenty feet only have been built, and the work should be at once put in the hands of other parties for completion.

At the lower end of this section on North Capitol street, the section of Bartlett & Williams commences, extending along North Capitol street to E street north. In the construction of this sewer the specifications of the contract have not been complied with; a brick invert having been substituted for the stone invert required. Although the general character of the work is fair, the material used, up to the time of my assuming control of the work, was not up to the requirements of the specifications. There has been an improvement in this respect, and in the hope of securing the completion of the work this season, I have allowed the contractors to continue the brick invert. The capacity of this sewer is greater than is necessary, and the flat invert is objectionable even with its present fall of six inches in a hundred feet, facilitating the accumulation of deposits. An attempt to diminish the size and change the cross-section of this sewer was thwarted by a failure to arrange any terms with the contractors, and by the pressure of time. The work is progressing very slowly, and about two thousand seven hundred and thirty-eight feet have been completed.

The G and F street sewer, built by Tompkins & Ruckel, has been completed this season, except a section of nine feet in diameter where it should enter the North Capitol street sewer. This must be left until the latter is completed and takes up the Tiber Creek. As far as completed the work seems to be substantial, and the capacity of the sewer is ample.

The lower section of the main Tiber sewer is an elliptical brick arch of thirty feet span and seven feet and six inches rise, with side-walls and spandrel of stone-masonry, the side-walls three feet in height, the whole resting upon a flooring of six-inch plank on transverse sills of twelve by twelve inches. The total length of this section is three thousand one hundred and sixty-nine feet, of which two thousand one hundred and sixty-five feet have been completed. The work is progressing favorably under the contractors, Gallaher, Loane & Co., and should be completed this season, except an outlet at the lower extremity which must be maintained until the retaining-walls of the James Creek Canal are finished. The specifications have not been complied with in respect to the skewback course, and upon the representation of the contractors that the work must be delayed if these specifications were insisted upon, I have allowed them to proceed with this course as they had commenced, but have made a corresponding deduction in the price of the work. The flooring of this sewer is at a uniform reference of 3.08 below mean high-tide throughout its entire length.

With the construction of the Boundary-street intercepting sewer, which takes from the Tiber sewer the drainage of one thousand seven hundred acres, the question of capacity of this section of the Tiber sewer has, I believe, been set at rest; but a great deal of trouble will be experienced in keeping it clean. Sand accumulates rapidly now in the section above this, and the contractors for cleaning it have not done their work.

The outlet of this sewer is the James Creek Canal. The contractors for the improvement of this part of the work are Nesmith & Vance,

and have been placed upon it in lieu of the former contractors, whose work I have condemned.

The plan of the work was an open canal with retaining-walls, and fifty-seven feet in the clear between them. The walls were of rubble-stone masonry, six feet nine inches in height, on a six-inch plank flooring at the reference of mean low tide. The flooring rested on a twelve-inch plate on a front row of main piles and upon a mud-sill in the rear. Sheet-piles were driven behind the plates to retain the earth beneath the walls, and the bottom of the canal was fixed at six feet below the top of the flooring. The whole structure was to be anchored by iron rods to anchorage piles twenty feet in the rear of the main piles. The work of the former contractors was so badly done that it must fall into the canal when the latter is dredged to the depth contemplated.

The plan is not adapted to this locality, and I have substituted a wall of rubble-stone masonry with concrete backing, dispensing entirely with timber. The cost is increased from \$13.30 to \$17.57 per linear foot, payable in 3.65 bonds. The present contract contemplates only the completion of the unfinished part of this work, two thousand and fifty linear feet, but provision must be made for rebuilding the remainder, one thousand nine hundred and twenty linear feet, and the dredging of the canal could be advantageously completed at this time, the material excavated being used to refill the old canal.

Below the arsenal the plan of the new water-front enlarges this canal, and gives it an excellent outlet into the deep water of the Anacostia channel. The work is now progressing favorably upon the retaining-walls of the canal.

The Boundary street intercepting sewer, built in three sections, under as many contracts, has been completed this season. The lower section, of ten feet six inches diameter, one thousand five hundred and eighty-nine feet in length, built by J. E. Gregg, appears substantial, with a superabundance of cement on the soffit of the arch. Tapping the walls shows that the invert is laid without any cement, except upon the inside ring, and at the upper extremity only two rings of bricks have been used in the arch.

In the section above this, built by Samuel Strong, two thousand nine hundred and fifty feet in length, nine feet nine inches in diameter, the workmanship is fair, except some defects, which will be remedied before a final settlement is made. The capacity of both of these sections is ample, and I apprehend no present trouble from the lower section.

The section built by Gantz and Appleman appears to be well constructed. The gravel-pit will be completed within a few days, and the stream which this sewer intercepts turned in. This is the upper section of the Boundary-street sewer.

From the lower extremity at Eleventh street east, up nearly to Second street east, it was already completed on the 8th of July, a distance of three thousand five hundred and eighty-one feet, having a diameter of six feet, and a fall of a little over two inches in a hundred feet. As the stream which this sewer takes up has at this point a fall of six inches in a hundred feet, and drains an area of nine hundred and twenty acres, I had grave doubts of the capacity of the sewer to carry off the water in the case of a heavy rain-fall; I therefore increased the diameter so seven feet, and the grade to four inches in a hundred feet, and provided for an overflow into the Tiber sewer, calculated to receive the difference in volume of water at the point where the sectional area changes.

Twenty-one hundred feet of the increased diameter, main sewer, have

been built to the gravel-pit and inlet, and one hundred and forty feet of the three-foot sewer for the overflow; but as the conditions were more favorable than upon the lower part of the sewer, special terms were agreed upon and the united cost for both per linear foot is \$12.40 less than the cost of the lower portion.

The projected outlet of the Boundary-street sewer is about twenty-one hundred feet beyond the present terminus, in the Anacostia Creek. It delivers at this point into a marsh, but the drainage area being entirely without the boundary, little or no sewerage will be conveyed for some time to come. This line of sewer answers a very useful purpose in relieving the Tiber sewer, and is, fortunately, completed in advance of the lower section of the latter.

The Slash Run sewer was completed before the present season, with the exception of the gravel-pit and seven hundred and ten feet of four-foot sewer at the upper extremity.

There is no existing contract for this work, but it should be done during favorable weather this winter, to take up the stream which now runs through the northwestern section of the city. The estimated cost is \$8,461.25. The lower part of this sewer has been carefully inspected, and appears to be in good order. The outlet being in Rock Creek, an abundance of fresh water is provided for the neutralization of all the present sewage; but the dam at the mouth of this creek should be removed.

The plan of the new river front contemplates an increased capacity and a tidal flow sufficient to neutralize all the sewage of the densest population.

The B street north intercepting sewer, extending from Seventh to Seventeenth streets west, drains an area of eight hundred acres, nearly the whole of which contains paved streets. The upper portion of this sewer has a diameter of five feet six inches, which increases to twelve feet at the outlet. The sole of the sewer at Seventh street is two feet six inches, and at the outlet on Seventeenth street is four feet six inches below mean high tide. The capacity of the upper part of this sewer is probably insufficient, although the majority of the complaints on this account are from the tide-locked section of the city south of Pennsylvania avenue. The sewer has been recently cleaned, and a careful investigation of complaints hereafter will be sufficient to determine the question of its capacity. The only means of relief for those who reside upon the low ground in the vicinity of the sewer is to adopt the recommendation of the board of public works and make use of flood-valves.

In the improvement of the river front this sewer is to be extended with increased capacity some three thousand feet to the line of the bulk-heads, and the ebb and flow of the tide will be more than sufficient to neutralize the sewage. A careful inspection of this sewer has not yet been made.

The system of main sewers may be considered as established, and the work upon them is nearly completed. The lateral sewers have not all been planned judiciously, and the work in some cases has been badly done; but sewerage facilities have been widely extended, and the necessity for a further extension has been established.

STREETS, AVENUES, AND ALLEYS.

These are generally paved, parked, and lighted wherever such improvements are immediately necessary. A gradual extension of this work by a moderate annual outlay will enable the improvement to keep

pace with the requirements of the District. The pavement of the carriage-way of streets in the business part of the District consists of stone blocks, trap-rock, and granite, adapted to heavy traffic, and in part of old blue-stone pavement of irregular blocks, which has come down from the days of the corporation of Washington. The latter is inexpensive, but unsightly, and requires, like the cobble-stone pavement, constant watching and repair when subjected to heavy travel. Both of these should be gradually replaced by the improved stone pavements as the amount of travel over them increases.

Where the streets are subjected to little wear from heavy travel, the pavement of the carriage-way is of bituminous concrete, wood, and macadam; and as these approach the boundary and merge into the country roads, the various patent pavements give place to gravel.

The concretes are of various character and composition. Some of these constitute an excellent pavement and others are worthless. The repair of the latter will involve a considerable outlay; but the former, with such improvements as have been suggested by experience, will have solved the problem of pavements for localities, at least, which can dispense with stone blocks and require something more substantial than gravel or macadam.

It is to be regretted that so large a proportion of the pavement of carriage-ways is of wood, the life of which, in this District, is very short. Unless some preservative measures be taken, more than a million square yards will have to be replaced within a few years, and the process of repair by which this is done gradually is a very expensive one. As far as these repairs have been made this summer, they indicate that the decay of the wood is mainly from the surface. This is the case on Pennsylvania avenue.

The crushing of the fiber by cart-wheels and the splitting of the blocks, facilitated by their shallow depth in some cases, has given free entrance to the water with which this avenue has been constantly and liberally sprinkled. It is about four years since this pavement was first put down, and it has been extensively repaired, but it is now in a deplorable condition. The uniformity of the indications that the principal decay of the wood pavement in the District is from the surface is associated with another fact, that whenever this surface has received a water-proof coating of tar, whether purposely applied or accidental, it has had a marked preservative effect.

A solution of the difficulty may be found in this: During warm, dry weather, a tough, elastic covering of a preparation of coal-tar and coarse, sharp sand, may be given the wood pavements, filling up all depressions and presenting a smooth, uniform surface similar to that of a concrete pavement. The cost would be about 30 cents per square yard, and the life of the pavement would, in my opinion, be prolonged, at least, sufficiently to more than repay the outlay. As yet the experiment has been tried upon a small scale only, but it has given satisfaction. I doubt the utility of the process upon streets subjected to any considerable travel, but upon the majority of the wood-paved streets of Washington and Georgetown I believe it would answer every purpose. Pennsylvania avenue should have at once a more durable pavement.

Macadam and gravel roads, where well made, will cost but little for repairs. The former, on Fourth-and-a-half street, southwest, from Maine avenue to arsenal gate, was put down with an utter disregard of the requirements of the contract. Under the fifth section of the contract other parties have been placed upon the work; the deposit upon the carriage-way is in process of removal, and will be replaced with broken stone to the requisite depth. When the increased traffic upon this street

shall demand a better class of pavement, the present one may be converted into a bituminous concrete, and the crown of the street should be lowered.

The cheapest and the best material for outer streets of the city and for the country roads is undoubtedly gravel, abundance of which, of the best quality, can be had close at hand. The free use of this material should be cor

The major alleys of the District, where improved, are paved with cobblestone. It is inexpensive and durable, but even when accompanied with sewerage, necessitates very effective police regulations to maintain a good sanitary condition of the alley.

These alleys are inevitably made the receptacles of garbage and refuse, and a cobblestone pavement gradually absorbs a decoction which no amount of sweeping and cleaning will remove. A smooth pavement, which could be occasionally washed, is preferable and can be placed upon the present cobblestones at a small expense; and, with little or no travel of vehicles over it, would answer the purpose. Preference should be given to a thin concrete pavement to the exclusion of cobblestone in any future paving of alleys which do not answer the purpose of streets.

The foot-pavements throughout the District are mainly of brick, with occasional North River flagging, Seneca sandstone, bituminous concrete, and artificial stone. The former material is cheap and durable, and, when well laid, will require but little attention. Some of the contract-work of this character, however, has been badly done. It is probably the best material that can be obtained for this purpose, except in localities which demand a more pretentious pavement. The artificial stone has not yet proved a success.

The parking of the streets and avenues has not only improved their appearance but has reduced the cost. The further improvement of much of this parking is necessary, and the maintenance of all must be provided for. The general charge of this should be given to the parking commission, to cut the grass, water and fertilize the sod, and preserve the beauty of the improvement. This duty can be performed in connection with the planting and cultivation of trees, in which the commission have met with a success which is almost unprecedented. The task has already been assumed by them of inspecting and reporting upon the sodding done by contractors, and their action in this matter has been of great advantage to the District.

A contract has recently been entered into for affixing the designations of the streets and avenues to the street-lamps, and the anomalous character of the nomenclature of the streets of the capital is brought into prominent notice. In the laying out of the capital city a system of rectangular co-ordinates, with the origin at the dome of the Capitol, has been adopted, which divides the city into four sections, each with its distinct nomenclature of letters and numbers, distinguishable each from the other sections by affixing the points of the compass. The simplicity and mathematical certainty of this plan may be preserved and the streets of the capital provided with names by adopting the method which has been already suggested of substituting for each letter of the alphabet the name of some personage illustrious in the history of the Union, giving to each street a name of which the initial letter shall be that which is now the designation of the street.

Under the present contract for placing letters and numbers upon the street-lamps, only the lamps at the intersections of streets are taken, and of these two sides only are used, one for each street. If the substitution of names for letters were made, the names could be added upon

the third side of the lamp, and, being directly opposite the original letter of the street, both designations could be allowed to remain if any confusion be apprehended from the change. It has been proposed to avoid the duplication of the numbered streets by numbering them consecutively from west to east. The change of number would soon be learned and all confusion avoided by leaving the old numbers and placing the new upon the lamps; but it seems to me that the present system of numbers is preferable, preserving as it does the reference to the Capitol, which the proposed substitution of names for letters still maintains.

Under the present municipal regulations some difficulty is experienced in retaining the exclusive control of the work of repair and improvement upon the streets and avenues. Uniformity of design is essential to the appearance of the streets, and it is not practicable to conform to the wishes of each property-holder in the improvements which are made in front of his premises or the regulations adopted to prevent the disfigurement of the street. The streets should never be opened for work upon the sewerage of the city, except under the immediate supervision of this office, and, preferably, by the employes of the office especially selected and organized into a permanent force for this purpose. More efficient regulations under which summary action can be taken against offenders are very much needed.

COUNTY ROADS AND BRIDGES.

These are generally in good condition, and upon those which are not under contract a small force is constantly employed in repairs.

The iron pivot-bridge over the James Creek Canal is of faulty construction, and consequently out of repair. A mistake in the character of the estimated strain upon the lower chord of the truss has resulted in the buckling up of the latter. The defect can be remedied, or the bridge can be removed to some other point and used as a fixed bridge, and another one substituted at this place. No immediate action is necessary.

PROPERTY.

The property-yards of the District were five in number on July 6, 1874, and contained material to the value of \$95,517.97. Under your directions the number of yards has been reduced to two. In conformity with the decision of the commissioners, no other material has been purchased for the use of contractors than such as was due upon orders of the board of public works. This has been received subject to the stipulation that payment shall be accepted in 3.65 bonds, upon the certificate of the board of audit, and the bills have been forwarded to the latter.

The greater part of this material suitable for work now in progress has been issued to contractors and charged to them, and enters into the total of expenditures up to date.

The value of the remainder cannot be used to reduce the estimates for completing these contracts, not being, in general, suitable for the purpose, but it can be used hereafter.

All the material found upon the streets under improvement has been measured up and its value assessed and charged to the contractors, each contractor being made responsible for all of the old material upon the line of his work. This material was principally laid upon the streets under the old corporation, and each property-holder has paid the entire cost of the improvement in front of his own premises. They claim, therefore, compensation in full for this material, if removed. Much of

this has been re-used and charged to contractors, but it is not practicable from the records to account for it all satisfactorily. Whatever loss the District may have sustained will appear when the amount allowed by the board of audit upon claims for old material is known.

Tabular statements are appended.

GAS AND LAMPS.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, July 10, 1874.

Ordered,

II. That the office of the superintendent of lamps be abolished, and the duties of the same be transferred to the engineer, who is authorized, with the approval of the commissioners, to employ an overseer at the rate of \$960 per annum.

W. DENNISON,
HENRY T. BLOW,
J. H. KETCHAM,

Commissioners of the District of Columbia.

The report of the overseer is appended.

INSPECTION OF BUILDINGS—PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND WHARVES.

With the duty of inspector of buildings devolving upon me as the successor to the engineer of the late board of public works, have been combined, by order of the commissioners, the care and preservation of the public works and wharves. The building-regulations of the late board of public works, adopted by the commissioners, lack the force of legislative sanction and require some revision.

Additional legislation will be necessary to sanction summary enforcement of the building-regulations by intervention of the police or order of the police court, the present method of resorting to equity injunctions being practically inefficient. In certain extreme cases, violators of the building-regulations should be promptly arrested and punished.

The public buildings and wharves have been inspected under my direction as far as it has been practicable to do so, and such repairs have been made as were urgently required. When this work is well in hand it will require a larger force than is at present employed.

Tabular statements are appended.

WATER DEPARTMENT.

By direction of the commissioners the operations of this department have been carried on under my personal supervision. The report of the water-registrar is appended.

As the water department is designed by law to be self-supporting, no estimate is made for expenditures on this account. It will be necessary to make some provision within a few years for increasing the supply of water to the inhabitants of Washington and Georgetown, and in the event of the General Government withdrawing from the city the right to tap its mains, this necessity will be precipitated.

ASSESSMENTS.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, July 23, 1874.

SIR :

It is made your duty to procure such prompt action as will secure the early preparation of the assessments, and their delivery to the deputy comptroller of the District after you shall have satisfied yourself of their accuracy.

Very respectfully,

WM. TINDALL, *Secretary.*

Lieut. R. L. HONIE, *Engineer, &c.*

In the preparation of the statements of expenditures upon each street to be assessed for special improvements, it was necessary to obtain the co-operation of the board of audit.

The act of Congress of June 20, 1874, requiring the auditing of all unfunded or floating debt of the District of Columbia and of the board of public works necessitated the examination of vouchers for final measurements upon which statements of expenditures were to be made up, and I did not feel authorized to make use of these bills until after such examination. An arrangement was effected by which these were taken up for consideration by the board of audit in the order in which they were required for assessment, and transmitted, with a statement of expenditures, to the auditor of the District, from whom I received them. The work of preparing the assessments has been commenced immediately upon receipt of each statement of expenditures, and has been done by Mr. Forsyth, under my immediate supervision. An intimate knowledge of localities and improvements was indispensable to an intelligent apportionment of these assessments.

The rule of the board of public works requiring that each measurement should be accompanied by a "perfect plat showing the lots and parts of lots along the line of the improvement, the names of the owners thereof, and the proportion to be assessed thereon," has not been observed in a single instance in the bills which I have received, and it was necessary to make these plats long after the work had been completed. Mr. Forsyth, as surveyor of the city for the last twenty years, and in charge of all the assessments for special improvements up to this time, was eminently fitted for this work, and has performed it intelligently and well, and without any compensation therefor. The general method pursued in making these assessments up to this time having been submitted to the assistant district attorney, the following opinion was received, and in conformity with it the assessments have been made:

WASHINGTON, August 26, 1874.

Respectfully returned. The present mode of assessment has been so long established that further legislation would be required to make changes; and, on examination, I would advise that the existing rules, as explained in the letters of the surveyor, be followed by the engineer. Practical difficulties can be considered as they arise.

W. BIRNEY,

Assistant Attorney.

I have required in the case of each bill an examination upon the ground to be followed by a measurement, if any reason appeared for questioning the accuracy of the bills. In the case of F street north, between Fifth and Fifteenth streets west, the bills have been returned to me by Mr. Forsyth as incorrect, and a remeasurement of the entire street between these points has been made under my own direction.

The difficulty of correcting an erroneous measurement is very great, involving more of evidence than of measurement, and this will operate to retard the assessments upon streets where errors are detected in the bills. The expenses of the parking commission have been, up to this time, assessed upon streets where trees are planted, but the bills have not been included in the auditor's statement of expenditures upon the street, being sent direct to the assessor. I have temporarily suspended the assessment upon such streets until an equitable rate of assessment for trees can be fixed upon, in order that these bills may be audited and included in the statement of expenditures.

The assessment sheets upon the following streets have been transmitted to the deputy-comptroller for collection, viz:

C street north, from Second to Fourth street west.

I street north, from Thirteenth to Fifteenth street west.

Riggs street north, from Thirteenth to Fourteenth street west.

And upon the following streets the statements of expenditures have been received from the auditor and the assessment-sheets are in course of preparation, viz:

A street north, from First to Second street east.

B street north, from Delaware avenue to First street east.

C street south, from Third to Fourth street east.

C street south, from Sixth to Seventh street east.

D street north, from Eleventh to Fifteenth street west.

E street north, from Thirteenth to Fourteenth street west.

E street north, from Fifth to Seventh street west.

F street south, from Seventh to Water street west.

F street north, from Fifth to Fifteenth street west.

H street north, from Fifteenth street to Vermont avenue west.

H street north, from Fourth street to Delaware avenue east.

N street north, from Fifteenth to Sixteenth street west.

N street south, from Sixth street to Canal east.

S street north, from Fourteenth to Sixteenth street west.

Second street east, from Maryland avenue to North Carolina avenue.

Eleventh street east, from Pennsylvania avenue to Eastern Branch.

Eleventh street west, from Pennsylvania avenue to B street north.

Thirteenth street west, from Pennsylvania avenue to F street north.

Thirteen-and-a-half street west, from Pennsylvania avenue to B street north.

Fourteenth street west, from F street to H street north.

Twenty-sixth street west, from K street to M street north.

Columbia street west, from O street to Rhode Island avenue north.

Union street south, from Four-and-a-half street to Sixth street west.

Delaware avenue east, from B street to C street north.

Maine avenue south, from Third to C street west.

Maryland avenue north, from First to Fifteenth street east.

Maryland avenue south, from First to Third street west.

South Carolina avenue, from Sixth to Seventh street east.

Vermont avenue, from Fourteenth street to Rhode Island avenue circle.

In connection with the assessments the claims for drawbacks for old material taken by the board of public works from the streets have been considered, in accordance with the request of the board of audit. The evidence in each case having been considered by the board, a statement of the allowances made was forwarded to me, and has been noted upon the assessment-sheets when transmitted to the deputy comptroller. As the evidence in some cases was defective, I have requested the deputy comptroller to impose the additional check of an affidavit from each claimant to the effect that he has not received any other compensation for the old material claimed to have been taken from in front of his premises, and that he has not disposed of the same.

REPAIRS.

The sweeping of the streets and cleaning of alleys are under contract, and repairs of all kinds have been made by a variable force under the direction of this office, except the repair of pumps, which has been done under a contract recently expired. Under the two contracts still in operation the work has been well done, and the continuance of this class of work under contract is recommended for the present. Repairs of all

kinds, including pumps, can be made to better advantage by day's work. The pumps are gradually falling into disuse within the city limits as the Potomac-water mains are extended, and should be condemned for sanitary reasons whenever the laying of the mains shall have obviated the necessity for their continuance.

For general repairs and for miscellaneous work upon the streets, a chain-gang has been organized from the work-house and kept constantly employed under the supervision of special policemen. It is found that the men work very well, and the experiment of prison labor is, so far, a success.

With the subject of repairs, the present condition of contract-work is brought up for consideration. The precaution of requiring that work shall be guaranteed for a term of years has been taken by the board of public works, and under this provision of contracts notifications have been sent by me to various contractors that repairs were needed. The majority of these notices have received no attention, and it has been necessary to do the work and charge it to the contractor. Provision must be made for doing a large proportion of this work, and suits must be brought to recover the amount expended from the delinquent contractors or their sureties.

Statements of expenditures for repairs are appended.

PARKING COMMISSION.

Under the late board of public works Mr. Wm. R. Smith, Mr. Wm. Saunders, and Mr. John Saul consented to assume without compensation the duty of superintending the planting and cultivation of trees in the cities of Washington and Georgetown. They have continued to act under the commissioners. These gentlemen are experts in their profession, and have performed their duty ably and conscientiously. The present appearance of their work throughout the District is the strongest recommendation that they can receive. The trees are healthy and vigorous, have been well cared for, and under the same intelligent supervision will soon become one of the most beautiful features of the improvement of the capital.

The report of the parking commission is appended.

ESTIMATES.

In the tabular statement of work under contracts of the late board of public works which have been resumed, I have given the estimated cost of completion of the work required under each contract, and have included these in the recapitulation of estimates. In these estimates every probable source of expenditure has been taken into consideration, and I have no apprehension that the estimates will be exceeded.

It will be necessary to make some provision for auditing and paying claims to the amount of the aggregate of the estimated cost of completion of these contracts, at present payable in 3.65 bonds.

The completion of these contracts, with such indispensable extra work as I have provided for in the estimates, will still leave a necessity for further improvement of certain localities in order to restore them to the condition in which they were found. This is the case with contracts for grading improved streets which do not provide for replacing the carriage-way and foot-walks, and with abandoned and closed contracts, of which the work is left incomplete.

In either case I have not had time to make the necessary examination

upon which to base an accurate estimate, but have given an approximate estimate under the head of improvements which should be made within a reasonable time. It will be necessary to provide for repairs of existing work, and for the extension of sewerage throughout the city. The latter as a sanitary measure, and as foreseen when the large expenditures already made were authorized for the main sewers, should not be classed with projected improvements, but accepted as essential to the completion of an approved work, and should be extended as rapidly as consistent with the means available for the purpose.

Damages which have resulted to private property in consequence of improvements, and which cannot be repaired by the work contemplated in the improvement, have not been estimated for. The majority of these have been disposed of by the board of public works, either by repairing the injury or by referring the claim to a board of arbitration. The first report of this board was submitted to the district legislature, but failed to receive any legislative action; the second report was not submitted to the legislature. These two reports comprise all claims for damages which had been presented up to February 5, 1874, with the award of the board. These reports, with all claims of the same nature subsequently presented, are before the board of audit. No attempt has been made to perform the work necessary to bar the claims, no funds being available for the purpose. The report of the board of audit will show the aggregate expenditure on this account.

The following is a recapitulation of the estimates for all purposes. These estimates are furnished for the information of the commissioners, and are classified under the fiscal year ending June 30, 1875, and June 30, 1876, commencing December 1, 1874.

CONTRACTS OF THE LATE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Completion of contracts now in operation, \$1,721,270.11 in 3.65 bonds.

Contracts of the late board of public works which are of doubtful obligation, in view of their present condition, and upon which the order of suspension had not been revoked, will, if allowed to proceed, require an additional expenditure of about \$184,408.84 in 3.65 bonds.

In addition to the foregoing, claims for contracts under awards, so called, have been presented, but rejected by the commissioners, and if allowed would involve an expenditure in 3.65 bonds of \$437,123 plus contingencies.

Current expenses to June 30, 1875.

	Cash.
Repairs of wood pavements which are to be charged to contractors, the term of three years after their completion not having expired, and requiring a cash advance by District government.....	\$31,649 42
Repairs of concretes to be charged to contractors, requiring a cash advance by District government.....	16,168 70
Repairs of wood pavements and concretes on which the three years have expired or will expire during fiscal year.....	6,790 50
General repairs to county roads and bridges.....	3,333 00
	<hr/> 57,941 77

New contracts made by the commissioners.

For planting five hundred trees.....	\$1,750 00
For affixing designations of streets and avenues to street lamps.....	1,000 00
For grading, setting curbs, and laying brick foot-walks in small quantities in various localities.....	6,000 00
	<hr/> 8,750 00

This work is required to complete streets upon which assessments have been made, and a part of the work estimated, but left incomplete.

It is needed also to complete work upon unassessed streets, in order to prepare them for assessment.

	Cash.
Repairs of pumps	\$4,957 70
Sweeping streets	40,000 00
Cleaning alleys	14,950 00
Cleaning sewers and traps	3,600 00
Removal of ashes from alleys	5,100 00
Expenses of parking commission	7,000 00
Gas for streets, public offices, and buildings	58,276 75
Gas-lamps and repairs	1,362 41
Rent of public buildings	11,561 69
Repairs of public buildings	21,231 00
	168,069 35

Additional work required within the fiscal year ending June 30, 1875.

	Cash.
Construction of gravel-pit at head of Seventeenth-street sewer and extension of sewer	\$8,161 25
Rebuilding seventy-five hundred feet of six-foot brick sewer on Eighth street northwest	25,000 00
Rebuilding two hundred feet nine-foot brick sewer, First street northwest	2,031 80
Extension of sewerage, (laterals and house-connections)	41,666 00
Erecting 150 new street-lamps	3,300 00
	80,159 05

Current expenses for fiscal year ending June 30, 1876.

	Cash.
Repairs of wood pavements which are to be charged to contractors, the term of three years after their completion not expiring, and requiring a cash advance by District government	\$63,298 93
Repairs of concretes to be charged to contractors requiring a cash advance by the District government	32,337 40
Repairs of wood pavements and concretes on which the three years will expire	13,581 20
Repairs of county roads and bridges	6,667 00
Repairs of pumps	9,975 00
Sweeping streets	80,000 00
Cleaning alleys	29,900 00
Cleaning sewers and traps	7,200 00
Removal of ashes	10,200 00
Expenses of parking commission	12,000 00
Gas for streets, public offices, and buildings	99,906 60
Gas-lamps and repairs	1,930 08
Rent of public buildings	19,820 00
Repairs of public buildings	36,400 00
Total	423,216 21

Projected improvements which must be provided for within a reasonable time.

	Cash.
Extension of sewerage, (laterals and house-connections)	\$83,334 00
Erecting 500 new street-lamps	10,000 00
Additional work required for the completion of improvements on streets on which contracts are now in operation, (exclusive of sewerage:)	
a. Streets which had been improved	50,000 00
b. Streets which had not been improved	200,000 00
Additional work required for the perfection of improvements on streets left incomplete by contracts which had been terminated or not resumed, (of doubtful obligation,) exclusive of sewerage:	
a. On streets which had been improved	90,000 00
b. On streets which had not been improved	60,000 00
Total	493,334 00

CONTRACTS.

As a rule, but with some exceptions, the activity and zeal which contractors have manifested before the recognition of their contracts have

not been afterward exhibited. The desire to establish a claim has been satisfied by such recognition, and the contractor has been unable or unwilling to commence work with sufficient force to make any reasonable progress with it. This is accounted for in part by the depreciation of the board paper, upon which they were unable to realize a satisfactory compensation in cash or to raise the necessary funds for the prosecution of their work.

The difficulty was enhanced by the discontinuance by the commissioners, as required by law, of the practice of purchasing and furnishing to the contractor the materials required for his work, which practice of the board of public works was considered assistance to men of limited means.

The difficulty experienced in making the first measurements upon which the amount due up to date could be ascertained and paid in certificates of the board of audit, operated somewhat to their disadvantage; but in the majority of cases only a small amount was due over and above the last measurements of the board of public works to those who had unfinished contracts.

A further cause of delay was the prevalence of the habit of obtaining contracts for the purpose of subletting them; and this was complicated by the financial embarrassments of both contractors and subcontractors operating to deter parties from making a bona-fide contract to do work with others who held the right and were unable to secure a profitable margin for themselves.

The working of the contract-system has been pretty thoroughly tested in the improvements of the capital, and, in the light of present experience, it does not appear to advantage. When contracts are advertised to be let to the lowest bidder, it is difficult to discriminate in favor of responsible parties, and the work is liable to fall into the hands of contractors who depend upon slighting their work to make good the loss on their bid. In such cases the sufficiency of their sureties is not adequate protection to the District. Whatever may be recovered from these by the slow process of law cannot make good the loss of time and the indirect injury sustained.

For all work under contract it is necessary to maintain a force competent to assume the direction and control of all the work, to protect the District from the consequences of fraud or incompetence, and to keep such accurate account of the work as may serve as the basis of monthly estimates and settlement with contractors. The cost of such a force is hardly less than would suffice for another competent to undertake the supervision of the work and its safe completion without the intervention of the contractor, without any margin for profits, and with comparative immunity from the chances of bad work. If, in general, material only were furnished under contract, and labor and supervision organized, with a distribution of responsibility, I believe that work could be done in the District of Columbia more cheaply, and certainly better, than the average of the present contract-work.

WORKING-FORCE.

The appended table of contracts resumed comprises only a part of the contracts and claims for contracts which have come up for consideration, as will appear from the exhibit of office-work. The greater part of communications not yet disposed of are applications for measurements by parties who have done work in front of their premises by permission of the late board of public works, upon the default of the contractor to

perform the work. About four hundred of these applications have been received from the board of audit within the last few days for examination and measurement. These communications belong to a class which have constituted the principal burden of the work performed. In undertaking for the board of audit the measurement and investigation of the old work under contracts which have been resumed, I was influenced by the necessity for effecting a settlement with contractors up to date; but having once organized a working force for this purpose, the assumption of the entire work of examination of accounts and measurement of work, as far as related to contracts, orders, and permits for work, and contracts and orders for supplies, could better be performed by this force than delegated to an additional force under the board of audit. I have, therefore, acted as their agent in this matter and rendered such assistance as was possible with the means at my disposal. This has involved a large expenditure by the commissioners, which is properly chargeable to the board of audit; but the separation of the accounts cannot well be effected.

It will be necessary to maintain for some time to come the present office force; the work required by the board of audit, the current work, and the necessity of bringing forward the records of the engineer's office, requiring the full present strength.

I have not included in this report any estimate for the continuance of the present organization for office and field work, but the morning reports of this date, herewith transmitted, will show the current expenditures and the total up to this moment. There is no present evidence of any decrease of office-work. The perfection of the records this winter will absorb all the time that may be released from present work, and under whatever form the duties of this office may be organized, a reduction of the office-force can hardly be accomplished. A great deal of field-work should be done this winter, and there will probably be occupation for nearly all the field-parties.

To the efficiency and industry of my entire force I am largely indebted, and especially so to the professional skill and acquaintance with details of Mr. Oertly, and the active co-operation of Mr. Bodfish, my assistants.

Very respectfully,

R. L. HOXIE,

Lieut. Engineers, U. S. A., and Engineer of D. C.

The Hon. COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

APPENDIX A d.

ENGINEER'S OFFICE, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, November 30, 1874.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report of the work done by the clerical force of this office since July 8, 1874. While the mere presentation of these figures does not convey any adequate impression of the actual amount of labor performed, it shows in a brief form the extent of the official correspondence.

Number of communications received, briefed, and recorded.....	5,059
Number disposed of by letter.....	823
Number disposed of by indorsement.....	3,538
Number of letters written.....	2,198
Number of histories of contracts prepared.....	243
Number of permits (gas, sewer, and water) issued.....	1,208

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

FRANK M. T. HOWE,
Chief Clerk.

Lieut. R. L. HOXIE, U. S. A.,
Engineer of District of Columbia.

APPENDIX A—c.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS, OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT PROPERTY, ETC.

Return of property received, issued, and remaining on hand November 15, 1874, Washington, D. C.

Property.	STONE.																										
	Blue stone.												Granite.				Miscellaneous.										
	4 by 16-inch curb.	4 by 20-inch curb.	4½ by 20-inch curb.	5 by 20-inch curb, good.	6 by 20-inch curb.	Blue stone corners.	12-in. gutter stone.	16-in. bridge stone.	6 by 12-inch steps.	7 by 12-inch steps.	8 by 12-inch steps.	3 by 14-inch coping.	4 by 16-inch coping.	4 by 20-inch coping.	4 by 24-inch coping.	5 by 24-inch coping.	6 by 24-inch coping.	2-in. circular curb.	6 by 20-inch curb.	Granite corners.	Old corporation iron trap-covers.	Chase sewer-trap.	Alley grate, iron.	Alley grate-frames, iron.	Park curb.	Man-hole tops and covers, iron.	Sewer stone.
On hand per last inventory	358	11	120	.....	1,838 ⁶	45	149 ⁸ 7, 118 ⁵	165 ⁶ 116 ¹¹	81	901 ³	901 ³	202 ⁸	84 ¹⁰	147 ⁴ 4, 117 ⁷	22	128 ⁵	.....	148 ⁶	1, 184 ¹⁰	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7, 263 ⁶	.....	12
Received per abstract A, blue stone and granite.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Received per Abstract B, sewer-pipe .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Received per Abstract C, on line of improvements	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Received per Abstract E, from White & Bro's, and depots .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total to be accounted for	358	11	120	8, 705 ² 2, 830 ⁷	334 ⁷	149 ⁸ 7, 118 ⁵	6 ⁶ 5 116 ¹¹	81	901 ³	202 ⁸	84 ¹⁰	147 ⁴ 4, 117 ⁷	22	128 ⁵	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Issued per Abstract A, granite stone .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Issued per Abstract B, blue stone	276	.....	11	868, 705 ² 2, 789 ⁷	85 ²	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Issued per Abstract C, old material .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Issued per Abstract D, sewer-pipe .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Issued per Abstract E, contractors from White & Bro's .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total issued	276	.....	11	868, 705 ² 2, 789 ⁷	85 ²	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total remaining on hand	82	11	33	.....	41	249 ⁸	149 ⁸ 7, 118 ⁵	165 ⁶ 116 ¹¹	81	856	202 ⁸	84 ¹⁰	147 ⁴ 4, 117 ⁷	22	128 ⁵	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7, 263 ⁶	.....

Return of property received, issued, and remaining on hand November 15, 1874, Washington, D. C.—Continued.

Property.	SEWER-TYPE.																										
	Branches.																										
	6 by 6-inch.	8 by 6-inch.	8 by 8-inch.	10 by 6-inch.	12 by 6 inch.	12 by 9-inch.	12 by 12-inch.	15 by 6-inch.	15 by 8-inch.	15 by 12-inch.	15 by 15-inch.	18 by 6-inch.	18 by 8-inch.	18 by 9-inch.	18 by 12-inch.	18 by 15-inch.	18 by 18-inch.	20 by 6-inch.	20 by 12-inch.	20 by 15-inch.	20 by 18-inch.	24 by 6-inch.	24 by 8-inch.	24 by 12-inch.	24 by 15-inch.	24 by 18-inch.	24 by 20-inch.
On hand per last inventory.....	585 ⁶	29 ⁶	49	9	5,896	401	174 ⁶	24	312	129	3,461 ⁶	46	39	516	220	39 ⁶	2	21 ⁶	6	18	111	21	15	102	21	96	
Received per Abstract A, blue stone and granite																											
Received per Abstract B, sewer-pipe.....	200	50 ⁶			1,037	8	13 ⁶																				
Received per Abstract C, on line of improvements																											
Received per Abstract E, from White & Bro's, and depots																											
Total to be accounted for.....	785 ⁶	79 ⁶	49	9	6,933	8	401	307	24	312	129	3,461	46	39	516	220	39	2	21	6	18	111	21	15	102	21	96
Issued per Abstract A, granite stone.....																											
Issued per Abstract B, blue stone.....																											
Issued per Abstract C, old material.....																											
Issued per Abstract D, sewer-pipe.....					1,794	9	307	51				558	6		21							6		3			
Issued per Abstract E, contractors from White & Bro's.....																											
Total issued.....					1,794	9	307	51				558	6		21							6		3			
Total remaining on hand.....	785 ⁶	79 ⁶	49	9	5,139	8	392	24	261	129	2,903 ⁶	40	39	495	220	39 ⁶	2	21 ⁶	6	18	105	21	12	102	21	96	

Return of property received, issued, and remaining on hand November 15, 1874, Washington, D. C.—Continued.

Property.	SEWER-Pipe.										OLD MATERIAL.								
	Branches.										Curb-ing.	Gutter-stone.	Bridge-stone.	Gutter-bridge stone.	Broken stone.	Cobble-stone.	Brick.	Sewer-traps.	Old corners.
	30 by 6 inch.	30 by 12 inch.	30 by 15 inch.	12 by 8 inch tile.	McAdam pavement.	15 by 6 inch tile.	15 by 12 inch tile.	18 by 8 inch tile.	24 by 8 inch tile.	Feet.									
On hand per last inventory.....	48	6	6	36	.....	4	18	16	18	3, 208 ³	8	57, 892 ¹¹	987	1, 632	231 ¹	415	25	191 ¹⁰
Received per Abstract A, bluestone and granite	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	950 ¹¹	3, 785 ⁶	5, 897	25	7 ¹	524 ¹	.....	.....	.....
Received per Abstract B, sewer-pipe.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Received per Abstract C, on line of improvements	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Received per Abstract E, from White & Bros, and depots.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	503	.....	.....	.....	.....	9, 830 ⁴	6, 882 ⁷	6, 802	.....	208	1, 140	690, 610	2	.....
Total to be accounted for.....	48	6	6	36	503	4	18	16	18	13, 989 ³	10, 676	70, 792 ⁶	1, 012	1, 847 ¹	1, 900	691, 025	27	191 ¹⁰	
Issued per Abstract A, granite stone.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	372 ¹⁰	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Issued per Abstract B, bluestone.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13, 450 ¹⁰	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Issued per Abstract C, old material.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Issued per Abstract D, sewer-pipe.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Issued per Abstract E, contractors from White & Bros.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total issued.....	.....	3	.....	3	503	.....	.....	.....	.....	13, 528 ¹⁰	9, 716	16, 932 ⁷	100	894	1, 900	691, 025	4	.....
Total remaining on hand.....	48	3	6	33	.....	4	18	16	18	168 ¹⁰	959 ⁶	53, 660 ⁷	912	953 ¹	.....	.....	23	191 ¹⁰

Return of property received, issued, and remaining on hand November 15, 1874, Washington, D. C.—Continued.

Property.	MISCELLANEOUS.												
	Steam roller.	Blue rock paving-stone.	Wood park fence.	3-inch water-pipe.	Brass stop-cocks.	Brass stop-cock boxes.	Wood blocks.	Street washers.	Iron chain.	Iron fence.	Iron posts.	Old lumber.	Iron sewer-trap covers.
	No.	Cub. yds.	Feet.	Feet.	No.	No.	Loads.	No.	Feet.	Feet.	No.	Feet.	No.
On hand per last inventory	1	4,447	325	4,868 ³	10	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Received per Abstract A, blue stone and granite .....	.....	234	.....	.....	.....	.....	47	5	1,737	700	54	270	.....
Received per Abstract B, sewer-pipe .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	726	.....
Received per Abstract C, on line of improvements .....	.....	993	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43
Received per Abstract E, from White & Bro's and depots .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	420	.....
Total to be accounted for	1	5,674	325	4,868 ³	10	4	47	5	1,737	700	54	1,416	43
Issued per Abstract A, granite stone .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Issued per Abstract B, blue stone .....	.....	1,325	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Issued per Abstract C, old material .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	47	.....	.....	112	.....	.....	.....
Issued per Abstract D, sewer-pipe .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Issued per Abstract E, contractors from White & Bro's .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	420	.....
Total issued .....	.....	1,325	.....	.....	.....	.....	47	.....	.....	112	.....	420	.....
Total remaining on hand	1	4,349	325	4,868 ³	10	4	.....	5	1,737	588	54	996	43

I hereby certify that the foregoing is correct.

E. B. TOWNSEND,
Superintendent of Property.

Value of material received, issued, and remaining on hand from July 7 to November 15, 1874.

Material.	On hand.		Received.		Total.	Issued.		Balance on hand.	
	Quantity.	Price.	Quantity.	Value.		Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
4 by 16 bluestone curbing.....feet.	358	\$0 70		\$250 60	\$250 60	276	\$193 20	82	\$57 40
4 by 20 bluestone curbing.....feet.	11	70		7 70	7 70			11	7 70
44 by 20 bluestone curbing.....feet and inches.	120	70		84 00	84 00	86 11	60 84	33	23 16
5 by 20 bluestone curbing.....feet and inches.	95	60							
5 by 20 good bluestone curbing.....feet and inches.	1,538 6	1 12		2,059 12	5,223 30	8,705 4	5,223 30	41	45 92
12 bluestone corners.....do.	45	1 13		75 75	1,111 13	2,759 7	3,134 33	249 3	492 38
12 bluestone corners.....do.	149 8	53		23 38	506 77	55 4	149 33	149 8	3,539 00
16-inch gutter-stone.....feet.	7,118	1 10		3,559 00				7,125	3,539 00
6 by 30 granite curbing.....feet and inches.			563 1	619 39	619 39	435 8	479 23	127 5	140 16
8 by 30 granite curbing.....feet and inches.									
Granite corners.....feet and inches.	1,184 10	1 75		2,073 46					
6 by 12 bluestone steps.....do.	165 6	70	77 1	134 90	2,305 36	417 11	731 35	844	1,477 01
7 by 12 bluestone steps.....do.	115 11	80		93 53	115 85			165 6	115 85
8 by 12 bluestone steps.....feet.	81	90		72 90	93 53			116 11	93 53
3 by 14 bluestone coping.....feet and inches.	901 3	1 25		1,126 56	1,726 90	45 3	56 56	81	72 90
4 by 16 bluestone coping.....do.	292 8	1 25		253 33	253 33			292 8	253 33
4 by 16 bluestone coping.....do.	84 10	1 25		106 44	106 44			84 10	106 44
4 by 24 bluestone coping.....feet.	147 7	1 25		183 75	183 75			147 7	183 75
5 by 24 bluestone coping.....feet and inches.	7,263 5	1 50		3,631 71	5,143 78	4,177 7	5,143 78	7,263 5	3,631 71
Pack curbing.....do.	12	100 00		1,200 00	1,200 00			12	1,200 00
Sewer-stone.....number.	1614	1 15	25	28 75	214 45	21	24 15	1654	192 30
6-inch bends.....do.	24	1 25		30 00	30 00			24	30 00
12-inch bends.....do.	64	1 80		115 20	115 20			64	115 20
15-inch bends.....do.	4	2 00	15	27 00	142 20	3	5 40	76	136 80
6 by 4 sewer-trap bends.....do.	11	3 50		38 50	38 50			11	38 50
6-inch sewer-trap bends.....do.	98	2 87 1/2		280 75	280 75			98	280 75
12-inch sewer-trap bends.....do.	224	5 75		119 37	119 37			224	119 37
6-inch slants.....number.	72	1 15		82 80	82 80	32	36 80	40	46 00
12-inch slants.....do.	83	1 25		103 75	103 75			83	103 75
13-inch slants.....do.	60	2 00		120 00	120 00			60	120 00
6-inch curves.....do.	5	2 00	25	50 00	50 00			25	50 00
12-inch curves.....do.	334	2 00		668 00	668 00			334	668 00
6-inch straight pipe.....do.	107	1 10		30 33	30 33			107	30 33
8-inch straight pipe.....do.	72	32	5,013	952 47	973 80	5,007	968 43	23	4 37
9-inch straight pipe.....feet and inches.	50	48	13	5 76	189 44	97	31 04	405	158 40
714	65	44 24			30 00	62 6	30 00		
12-inch straight pipe.....feet.	4,360	1 10	7,388	4,802 80	5,206 30	7,429	4,828 85	673	437 45
15-inch straight pipe.....do.	7,202	1 40	205	295 50	5,021 50	4,565	5,021 50	3,589	5,021 50
18-inch straight pipe.....do.		1 72	33	46 10	10,120 00	3,648	5,104 40	3,589	5,021 50
20-inch straight pipe.....do.					21 00			12	21 00

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24-inch straight pipe.	568	2 35	1,334 80		54 05	1,288 85	586	1,377 10	5	11 75
30-inch straight pipe.	6	4 40	30 00			36 40			6	26 40
6 by 6 branch pipe.	553	4 10	45 12	290	150 00	58 92			785	58 92
8 by 6 branch pipe.	28	1 00	29 50	50	50 00	70 50			79	70 50
8 by 8 branch pipe.	49	1 00	49 00			49 00			49	49 00
10 by 6 branch pipe.	9	1 80	7 20			7 20			9	7 20
12 by 6 branch pipe.	1 25					10 00			8	10 00
12 by 9 branch pipe.	5,896	1 10	6,485 60			7,626 30	1,794	1,973 40	5,139	5,632 90
12 by 6 branch pipe.	401	1 40	561 40	1,037	1,140 70	561 40	9	12 60	332	548 80
12 by 12 branch pipe.	174	1 50	261 75	132 6	198 75	460 50	307	400 50		
15 by 6 branch pipe.	34	1 85	44 40			44 40	51	96 90	24	44 40
15 by 8 branch pipe.	312	1 90	593 80			592 80			261	495 90
15 by 12 branch pipe.	129	2 15	277 35			277 35			129	277 35
15 by 15 branch pipe.	3,461	2 00	6,923 00			6,923 00	558	1,116 00	2,903	5,807 00
18 by 6 branch pipe.	46	2 40	110 40			110 40			46	110 40
18 by 8 branch pipe.	23	2 40	103 60			93 60			39	93 60
18 by 12 branch pipe.	516	2 40	1,238 40			1,238 40	21	50 40	405	1,188 00
18 by 15 branch pipe.	220	2 50	550 00			550 00			220	550 00
20 by 6 branch pipe.	3	2 60	101 40			101 40			39	101 40
20 by 8 branch pipe.	9	2 60	6 50			6 50			2	6 50
20 by 12 branch pipe.	91	2 70	54 60			54 60			21	54 60
20 by 15 branch pipe.	16	2 70	16 20			16 20			6	16 20
30 by 6 branch pipe.	18	3 60	50 40			50 40			18	50 40
30 by 15 branch pipe.	111	3 80	399 60			399 60	6	21 60	105	378 00
34 by 6 branch pipe.	21	3 70	77 70			77 70			21	77 70
34 by 8 branch pipe.	15	3 70	55 50			55 50	3	11 10	12	44 40
34 by 12 branch pipe.	102	3 80	387 60			387 60			102	387 60
34 by 15 branch pipe.	91	3 90	81 90			81 90			21	81 90
34 by 20 branch pipe.	96	4 00	384 00			384 00			96	384 00
30 by 6 branch pipe.	48	5 20	249 60			249 60			48	249 60
30 by 12 branch pipe.	6	6 50	39 00			39 00	3	19 50	3	19 50
30 by 15 branch pipe.	6	7 00	42 00			42 00			6	42 00
6 by 6 T pipe.	36	1 00	45 00			45 00	3	3 75	33	41 25
12 by 12 T pipe.		1 50				6 00			4	6 00
15 by 6 T pipe.	4	1 50	6 00			6 00				
15 by 12 T pipe.	18	1 90	34 20			34 20			18	34 20
18 by 6 T pipe.	16	2 40	38 40			38 40			16	38 40
24 by 8 T pipe.	3	3 90	70 30			70 20			18	70 20
Old curbing.	3,208	3	1,283 30	10,781	4,312 50	5,595 80	13,828 10	5,531 54	100	5,531 54
Old gutter-stone.	57,892	11	10,668	10,668	2,133 60	2,135 20	9,716 4	1,943 27	8	191 32
Old bridge-stone.	97	20	17,367 88	13,699 7	3,809 87	21,177 75	16,932 2	3,073 63	53,690	16,098 10
Gutter-bridge stone.	1,632	1 00	1,632 00	25	15 00	607 20	100	84 00	919	547 20
Broken stone.	234	1 00	234 00	215 4	215 50	1,847 50	894	894 00		953 50
Cobble-stone.	415	8 00	3,320	1,668 50	1,668 50	1,900 00	1,900	1,900 00		
Old brick.	25	35 00	875 00	5,554 88	5,554 88	5,538 20	691,025	3,525 20		
Sewer-traps.	1			690,610	70 00	945 00	4	140 00	23	505 00
Steam-roller.	1		7,000 00			7,000 00				
Blue-rock paving.	4,447	1 00	4,447 00	1,227	1,227 00	3,674 00	1,325	1,325 00	4,340	7,000 00
Wood park-fence.	325	40	130 00			130 00			325	4,340 00
34-inch water-pipe.	4,868	55	1,217 06			1,217 06			4,868	1,217 06
Old lumber.	270	10 00	2,700 00	726	7 26	9 96			396	9 96

Value of material received, issued, and remaining on hand from July 7 to November 15, 1874—Continued.

Material.	On hand.		Received.		Total.	Issued.		Balance on hand.	
	Quantity.	Price.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Iron chain	1,737	\$0 30	\$347 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,737	\$347 40
Iron fence	700	2 00	1,400 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,176 00
Iron posts	54	5 00	270 00	.....	.....	112	\$224 00	588	1,176 00
1 by 12 circular curb .....	.....	8 75	.....	8	\$70 00	8	70 00	54	270 00
2 by 14 circular curb	138 8	1 15	158 77	.....	.....	.....	.....	138 8	158 67
Old corners	101 10	1 25	335 71	.....	.....	.....	.....	131 10	335 71
do	22	1 45	27 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	27 50
New lumber .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Iron trap-covers .....	.....	7 00	.....	43	370 44	.....	370 44	.....	301 00
Iron alley-grates	2	8 00	16 00	132	96 00	14	112 00	.....	.....
Iron man-holes	2	7 50	15 00	22	165 00	24	180 00	.....	.....
Gravel .....	.....	1 75	.....	10	17 50	10	17 50	.....	.....
Old sewer-trap covers	6	7 00	42 00	.....	.....	6	42 00	.....	.....
Iron grate-frames .....	.....	8 00	.....	9	72 00	9	72 00	.....	.....
Total .....	.....	.....	95,547 97	.....	35,549 22	.....	54,701 06	.....	70,396 13

RECAPITULATION.

Material.	On hand.		Received.	Total.	Issued.	Remaining on hand.
	Quantity.	Value.				
Stationery	\$1,064 36	\$1,064 36	\$723 26	\$341 10
Tools	154 57	2,737 29
Furniture	5,469 59	16,081 35
Material	35,549 22	131,097 19	54,701 06	76,396 13
Total	120,010 77	37,213 58	157,224 35	61,048 48	96,175 87

E. B. TOWNSEND,
Superintendent of Property.

B.—Report of furniture and miscellaneous property received, issued, and remaining on hand and sold from July 7, 1874, to November 15, 1874.

Date.	Name.	Remarks.	Awnings.	Boards, zinc.	Boards, fire.	Ballot-boxes.	Buggy.	Boxes, stationery, (wood.)	Boxes, stationery, (tin.)	Boxes, match.	Bulletin-board.	Brooms.	Chamberbers.	Chandeliers.	Cases, book, (glass doors.)	Cases, stationery and file.	Cases, file, upright.	Chairs, revolving.	Chairs, arm.	Chairs, high.	Chairs, office.	Combs and brushes.	Curtains, window.	Carpets.	Chests, ice.	Clocks.	Carriages.
Oct. 7	On hand.....	Per last inventory ...	No. 29	No. 3	No. 3	No. 126	No. 1	No. 9	No. 5	No. 3	No. 1	No. 2	No. 2	No. 22	No. 8	No. 21	No. 9	No. 110	No. 80	No. 8	No. 328	No. 3	No. 27	No. 47	No. 2	No. 11	No. 2
	Received, Thos. North et	No. 2997, engineer's office, 1874.																									
	In Columbia Building		42																								
	Total to be accounted for ..		71	3	3	126	1	9	5	3	1	2	2	22	8	21	9	110	80	8	328	3	27	47	2	11	2
	Issued to—	Fire-alarm telegraph.																2			4						
	Henry R. Miles	Board of health													1		10	9								1	
	Latimer & Cleary, auction- eers.	See No. 1487, vol. A, 1874 engineer's office, District of Columbia.	29	3	3	126	1						2	22		2	25	87			324		27	10	2	2	
	Not yet reported.....	Not yet reported.....																									1
	Total issued.....	Not by order of com- missioners.	29	3	3	126	1						2	22	1	2	37	89			328		27	10	2	3	1
	Total remaining on hand ..		42					9	5	3	1	2			7	19	9	73		8		3		37		8	1

B.—Report of furniture and miscellaneous property received, issued, &c.—Continued.

Date.	Name.	Remarks.	Coups.	Desks, standing.	Desks, single.	Desks and tops, No. 35.	Dusters, feather.	Drop-lights.	Dust-pans.	Fenders, spark.	Fire-blowers.	Flag.	Filles, Woodruff.	Foot-rests.	Filles, newspaper.	Fire-grates.	Hods, coal.	Horses.	Harness.	Lounges.	Letter-presses and stands.	Mirrors.	Mats, foot.	Pigeon-holes.	Pitchers, ice, and trays.	Pitchers, water.	Racks, book.	Racks, towel.
1874.			No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	Set.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Oct. 7	On hand.	Per last inventory	1	13	89	32	13	12	1	14	8	1	3	8	12	1	26	7		7	10	18	31	9	5	16	7	5
	Received, Thos. Norfolk	No. 2997, engineer's																										
	In Columbia building.	office, 1874.																		1								
	Total to be accounted for		1	13	89	32	13	12	1	14	8	1	3	8	12	1	26	7	2	10	20	18	31	9	5	16	7	5
	Issued to—																											
	Henry R. Miles	Fire-alarm telegraph			3															1			2					
	Board of health	See No. 1487, vol. A,			3																	1	6					
	Lathimer & Cleary, auc-	1874, engineer's			37	2	13	1	1			1			12	1	4	1	1	2	3	3	23	2	3	1		
	tioneers.	office, District of																										
		Columbia.																										
		Not yet reported																										
		Shot by order of com-																										
		missioners.																										
	Total issued		1	40	9	13	1	1	1			1			12	1	4	3	3	3	4	4	31		2	4	1	
	Total remaining on hand			13	49	30		11		14	8			2			22	4	5	7	16	14		9	3	12	6	5

B.—Report of furniture and miscellaneous property received, issued, &c.—Continued.

Date.	Name.	Remarks.	Racks, hat.	Racks, umbrella.	Railing, lots.	Shovels and tongs.	Stools, high.	Sales, iron.	Soap-dishes.	Stop-arms.	Stoves and fixtures.	Spittoons.	Stamps, office.	Stamps, canceling.	Tables, large.	Tables, small.	Tables, drawings.	Window-cornices.	Windows, lamp-iron.	Wash-stands, marble-top.	Wash-stands, walnut.	Wash-stands, comm. n.	Wash-bowls.	Water-buckets, (wood.)	Water-buckets, (tin.)	Water-coolers.	Water-cooler stands.	Wagons.
1874. Oct. 7	On hand..... Received, Thos. Norfleet In Columbia Building Total to be accounted for..	Per last inventory... No. 2397, engineer's office, 1874.	No. 17 16	No. 16	No. 16	No. 2 1	No. 32 1	No. 10 1	No. 9 1	No. 9 1	No. 43 178	No. 15 1	No. 25 1	No. 25 1	No. 26 2	No. 26 2	No. 17 17	No. 17 17	No. 18 18	No. 18 2	No. 3 3	No. 18 18	No. 12 12	No. 8 8	No. 43 43	No. 1 1	No. 5 5	
	Issued to— Henry R. Miles Board of health Latimer & Cleary, auc- tioneers.	Fire-alarm telegraph See No. 1487, vol. A, 1874, engineer's office, District of Columbia. Not yet reported Shot by order of com- missioners.	No. 1 4	No. 4	No. 1 4	No. 2 1	No. 4 1	No. 2 1	No. 9 2	No. 11 75	No. 6 2	No. 1 2	No. 1 2	No. 1 2	No. 1 2	No. 7 7	No. 17 17	No. 17 17	No. 2 2	No. 2 2	No. 3 3	No. 4 4	No. 3 3	No. 4 4	No. 11 11	No. 1 1	No. 1 1	
	Total issued		No. 1 4	No. 4 4	No. 1 4	No. 2 1	No. 4 1	No. 2 1	No. 9 2	No. 11 75	No. 81 81	No. 2 2	No. 1 1	No. 2 2	No. 1 1	No. 7 7	No. 17 17	No. 17 17	No. 3 3	No. 3 3	No. 5 5	No. 3 3	No. 4 4	No. 12 12	No. 1 1	No. 1 1		
	Total remaining on hand..		No. 16 12	No. 12	No. 10 10	No. 7 32	No. 28 97	No. 13 13	No. 24 19	No. 2 2	No. 32 97	No. 1 1	No. 24 13	No. 1 1	No. 2 2	No. 19 19	No. 2 2	No. 17 17	No. 15 15	No. 2 2	No. 2 2	No. 13 13	No. 9 9	No. 4 4	No. 31 31	No. 1 1	No. 5 5	

I hereby certify that the foregoing is correct.

E. B. TOWNSEND,
Superintendent of Property.

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Value of furniture received, issued, remaining on hand, and sold, from July 7, 1874, to November 15, 1874.

Articles.	Received.			Issued.		Remaining on hand.		
	Quantity.	Price.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Price.	Value.
Awnings	71	\$3 00	\$213 00	29	\$87 00	42	\$3 00	\$126 00
Boards, zinc	3	1 25	3 75	3	3 75			
Boards, fire	3	1 25	3 75	3	3 75			
Ballot-boxes	126	29	36 54	126	36 54			
Buggy	1	60 00	60 00	1	60 00			
Boxes, stationery, wood	9	3 00	27 00			9	3 00	27 00
Boxes, stationery, tin	5	2 50	12 50			5	2 50	12 50
Boxes, match	3	25	75			3	25	75
Board, bulletin	1		5 00			1	5 00	5 00
Brooms	2	7 50	15 00	2	15 00			
Chambers	2	50	1 00	2	1 00			
Chandeliers	22	3 50	77 00	22	77 00			
Book-case, glass doors	8	90	720 00	1	90 00	7	90 00	630 00
Book-case, stationery, and file	21	125 00	2,625 00	2	250 00	19	125 00	2,375 00
Case, upright	9	60 00	540 00			9	60 00	540 00
Chairs, revolving	110	7 50	825 00	37	277 50	73	7 50	547 50
Chairs, arm	89	3 00	267 00	89	267 00			
Chairs, office	32	3 00	96 00	32	96 00			
Chairs, high	8	5 00	40 00			8	5 00	40 00
Combs and brushes	3	1 50	4 50			3	1 50	4 50
Curtains, window	27	50	13 50	27	13 50			
Carpets	47	10 00	470 00	10	100 00	37	10 00	370 00
Chests, ice	2	3 00	6 00	2	6 00			
Clocks	11	8 00	88 00	3	24 00	8	8 00	64
Carriages	2	150 00	300 00	1	150 00	1	150 00	150 00
Coupe	1	90 00	90 00	1	90 00			
Desks, standing	13	30 00	390 00			13	30 00	390 00
Desks, single	59	35 00	3,115 00	40	1,400 00	49	35 00	1,715 00
Desks, No. 35	32	40 00	1,280 00	2	80 00	30	40 00	1,200 00
Duster, feather	13	150 00	19 50	13	19 50			
Drop-lights	12	7 00	84 00	1	7 00	11	7 00	77 00
Dust-pan	1	25	25	1	25 00			
Fender, spark	14	5 00	70 00			14	5 00	70 00
Fire-blower	8	1 00	8 00			8	1 00	8 00
Flag	1	3 50	3 50	1	3 50			
Foot-rests	8	1 50	12 00			8	1 50	12 00
Files, newspaper	12	14	1 75	12	1 75			
Fire-grate	1	2 75	2 75	1	2 75			
Hod, coal	26	1 00	26 00	4	4 00	22	1 00	22 00
Horses	7	100 00	700 00	3	300 00	4	100 00	400 00
Harness	8	20 00	160 00	3	60 00	5	20 00	100 00
Lounges	10	25 00	250 00	3	75 00	7	25 00	175 00
Letter-press and stand	20	30 00	600 00	4	120 00	16	30 00	480 00
Mirrors	18	5 00	90 00	4	20 00	14	5 00	70 00
Mats, foot	31	1 50	46 50	31	46 50			
Pigeon-holes	9	5 00	45 00			9	5 00	45 00
Pitcher, ice, and tray	5	10 00	50 00	2	20 00	3	10 00	30 00
Pitcher, water	16	1 00	16 00	4	4 00	12	1 00	12 00
Racks, book	7	10 00	70 00	1	10 00	6	10 00	60 00
Racks, towel	5	50	250 00			5	50	2 50
Racks, hat	17	25 00	425 00	1	25 00	16	25	400 00
Racks, umbrellas	16	4 00	64 00	4	16 00	12	4	48 00
Railing, (two lots)	2	19 62	39 25	2	39 25			
Shovel and tongs	1	1 00	1 00	1	1 00			
Safes, iron	10	350 00	3,500 00			10	350 00	3,500 00
Stools, high	32	1 25	40 00	4	5 00	28	1 25	35 00
Soap-dishes	23	9	2 25	2	2 25			
Slop-urns	9	1 00	9 00	2	2 00	7	1 00	7 00
Stoves and fixtures	43	15 00	645 00	11	165 00	32	15 00	480 00
Spittoons	178	60	106 80	81	48 60	97	60 00	58 20
Stamps, office	15	2 50	37 50	2	5 00	13	2 50	32 50
Stamps, canceling	1	15 00	15 00			1	15 00	15 00
Tables, large	25	30 00	750 00	1	30 00	24	30 00	720 00
Tables, small	26	12 00	312 00	7	84 00	19	12 00	228 00
Tables, drawing	2	30 00	60 00			2	30 00	60 00
Window-cornice	17	4 00	68 00	17	68 00			
Window-lambrequins	17	6 00	102 00	17	102 00			
Wash-stands, marble-top	18	18 00	324 00	3	54 00	15	18 00	270 00
Wash-stands, walnut	2	9 00	18 00			2	9 00	18 00
Wash-stands, common	3	4 00	12 00	3	12 00			
Wash-bowls	18	1 00	18 00	5	5 00	13	1 00	13 00
Water-buckets, wood	12	20	2 40	3	1 60	9	20	1 80
Water-buckets, tin	8	40	3 20	4	1 60	4	40	1 60
Water-coolers and stands	43	7 50	322 50	12	90 00	31	7 50	232 50
Water-cooler stand	1	3 00	3 00	1	3 00			
Wagons	5	40 00	200 00			5	40 00	200 00
Total			21,550 94		5,469 59			16,081 35

E. B. TOWNSEND, Superintendent of Property.

C.—Report of tools and surveyors' instruments received, issued, &c.—Continued.

Date.	Name.	Remarks.	Number lines, steel, 100 feet	Number of ladders, step.	Number of lanterns.	Number of levels and tripods	Number of mauls.	Number of mallets, tree.	No. keys of nails, 3-penny.	Number of pruning-blades.	Number of picks.	Number of plows.	Number feet of pipe, iron.	Number of poles, line.	Number of pins, marking.	Number of pickets.	Number of rakes.	Number of reducers.	Number of rammers.	Number feet of rope.	Number of ropes, guy.	Number of reels and line.	Number of rods, jointed.	Number of rods, Philadelphia.	Number of rods, New York.	Number of shingle-handles.	Number of stones, girth.	Number of shovels.	No. of shovels, long-handled.	Number of shovels, damaged.	Number of spades.	Number of saws, hand.	Number of saws, cross-cut.	Number of spokeshaves.	Number of spanners.			
1874. July 7	On hand, per inventory. Received from— John A. Baker, as per bill, engineer's office, No. 3759, vol. A, 1874. John C. Parker	Per last return. Issued to— S. H. Bodfish. Charles W. Cunningham J. F. Rodson W. R. Smith and McFarland Bill No. 2752, engineer's office, vol. A, 1874.	1	214	4	5	3	4	7	7	24	1	7	100	4	13	9	2	8	100	2	1	2	1	6	6	24	2	1	46	80	58	4	12	10	4	1	1
Sept. 19	Total to be accounted for		9	314	5	5	3	4	7	7	98	1	7	100	4	13	11	2	8	100	2	1	2	1	7	6	24	2	1	7	54	58	4	12	10	4	1	1
	Issued to— S. H. Bodfish Charles W. Cunningham J. F. Rodson W. R. Smith S. McFarland Latimer & Cleary	Assistant engineer Overseer Superintendent of work-house Chairman parking commission. Market-master. Sold legislative hall.		1	1																				6													
	Total issued.			1	3	1																				6												
	Total remaining on hand.		9	211	4	5	3	4	7	7	98	1	7	100	4	13	9	2	8	100	2	1	2	1	7	6	24	2	1	7	54	58	4	12	9	4	1	1

C.—Report of tools and surveyors' instruments received, issued, &c.—Continued.

Date.	Name.	Remarks.	Number of screw-drivers.	Number of sledges, steel.	Number of sand-screens.	Number of scoops.	Number of scrapers.	Number of spigots.	Number kegs of spikes.	Number of scales, triangular.	Number of scales, architectural.	Number of scales, box-wood.	Number of scales, metal.	Number of spirit-levels.	Number of spirit-levels, bulb.	Number of scales, platform.	Number of street-sweepers.	Number of trowels.	Number of tackle and blocks.	Number of trucks.	Number of tarp-pouvers.	Number of tonies, blacksmith.	No. of triangles, right-angled.	Number of triangles, wood.	Number of triangles, rubber.	Number of triangular rule.	Number of targets, New York.	No. of transits and tripods.	Number papers of tacks, 10-oz.	Number of work-benches.	Number of whetstones.	Number of wrenches, monkey.	Number of wedges, iron.	Number of wheels, cast-iron.	Number of wheelbarrows.	Number of water-cans.	Number of water-buckets.	Number of tape-lines.	Number balls of twine, linen.	
1874. July 7	On hand, per inventory..... Received from— John A. Baker, as per bill, en- gineer's office, No. 3739, vol. A, 1874. John C. Parker	Per last return	1	6	1	2	2	6	.....	1	1	1	1	6	1	2	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	4	1	5	5	4	1	3	3	1	4	6	8	6	8	1
Sept. 29	..... Total to be accounted for	Issued to— S. H. Badfish..... Charles W. Cunningham..... J. F. Holson..... Superintendent of work-horse. Chairman parking commission. W. R. Smith..... S. McFarland..... Market-master. Lather & Cleary..... Sold legislative hall. Total issued	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
 Total remaining on hand		1	6	1	2	2	6	3	1	1	1	6	1	2	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	4	1	6	5	4	1	3	3	1	4	7	6	8	6	8	1

I hereby certify that the foregoing is correct

E. B. TOWNSEND,
Superintendent of Property.

192 REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Value of tools and surveyors' instruments received, issued, and remaining on hand, from July 7, 1874, to November 15, 1874.

Articles.	Received.			Issued.		Remaining on hand.		
	Quantity.	Price.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Price.	Value.
Axes	8	\$1 25	\$10 00	2	\$2 50	6	\$1 25	\$7 50
Augers	2	75	1 50	2	75	2	75	1 50
Anvil	1	3 50	3 50	1	3 50	1	3 50	3 50
Brooms	dozen.	7 00	3 50	1	3 50	1	50	50
Brand, iron	1	50	50	1	50	3	75	2 25
Bobs, plumb	3	75	2 25	3	75	89	75	64 75
Boxes, tree, wood	89	2 75	184 25	67	2 75	67	2 75	184 25
Boxes, tree, iron	67	2 50	150 00	6	15 00	1	1 25	1 25
Buckets, iron-bound	1	1 25	1 25	12	1 25	12	1 25	15 00
Clamp	12	1 25	15 00	2	75	2	75	1 50
Crowbars	2	75	1 50	2	4 00	3	3 50	10 50
Chisels	2	4 00	8 00	2	4 00	4	75	3 00
Cultivators	3	3 50	10 50	2	1 50	2	1 50	3 00
Curves	2	75	3 00	6	1 50	6	1 50	9 00
Drills, churn	4	1 50	10 50	3	10 00	3	10 00	30 00
Drills, steel	7	1 50	10 50	1	75	1	75	75
Drawing instruments	set.	10 00	30 00	1	75	1	75	75
Fork, hay	1	75	75	1	75	1	75	75
Fork, drag	1	75	75	2	75	2	75	1 50
Forks, digging	2	75	1 50	1	50	1	50	50
Flat-iron	1	50	50	1	6 00	1	6 00	6 00
Forge, portable	1	6 00	6 00	33	1 25	33	1 25	35 00
Hoes	33	1 25	41 25	1	1 25	1	1 25	1 25
Hoe, drag	1	1 25	1 25	1	25 00	1	25 00	25 00
Hose-cart	1	25 00	25 00	13	1 00	13	1 00	13 00
Hammers, masons'	13	1 00	13 00	11	75	11	75	8 25
Hatchets	11	75	8 25	1	10 00	1	10 00	10 00
Harrow	1	10 00	10 00	500	1	500	1	7 50
Iron, old	pounds.	500	7 50	65	3 00	65	3 00	195 00
Jack-screws	65	3 00	195 00	7	1 50	7	1 50	10 50
Line, air-slacked	barrels.	7	10 50	1	1 25	1	1 25	1 25
Kettle, tar	1	1 25	1 25	7	9 00	7	9 00	63 00
Lines, steel, 50-feet	7	9 00	63 00	9	17 50	9	17 50	157 50
Lines, steel, 100 feet	9	17 50	157 50	3	12 00	3	12 00	24 00
Ladders	3	12 00	36 00	14	3 25	14	3 25	35 75
Ladders, step	14	3 25	45 50	5	3 00	5	3 00	12 00
Lanterns	5	3 00	15 00	1	3 00	1	3 00	300 00
Levels and tripods	1	60 00	300 00	3	1 25	3	1 25	3 75
Mattocks	3	1 25	3 75	7	1 50	7	1 50	10 50
Nippers, tree	7	1 50	10 50	2	6 00	2	6 00	12 00
Nails, 3-penny	kegs.	2	12 00	2	40	2	40	80
Plow-points	2	40	80	7	1 00	7	1 00	7 00
Pruning blades	7	1 00	7 00	98	1 50	98	1 50	126 00
Picks	98	1 50	147 00	1	25	1	25	25
Punch-iron	1	25	25	7	3 50	7	3 50	24 50
Plows	7	3 50	24 50	4	4 00	4	4 00	16 00
Poles, line	4	4 00	16 00	13	50	13	50	6 50
Pins, marking	13	50	6 50	1	1 50	1	1 50	1 50
Pitchfork	1	1 50	1 50	11	75	11	75	6 75
Rakes	11	75	8 25	2	1 50	2	1 50	3 00
Reducers	2	1 50	3 00	1	75	1	75	75
Reel and line	1	75	75	2	8 00	2	8 00	16 00
Rods, leveling	2	8 00	16 00	1	8 00	1	8 00	8 00
Rod, jointed	1	8 00	8 00	7	18 00	7	18 00	126 00
Rods, New York	7	18 00	126 00	1	16 00	1	16 00	16 00
Rod, Philadelphia	1	16 00	16 00	1	2 25	1	2 25	2 25
Sledge-handles	dozen.	1	1 12	1	1 50	1	1 50	1 50
Stone, grind	1	1 50	1 50	78	1 25	78	1 25	57 50
Shovels	78	1 25	97 50	84	1 25	84	1 25	100 00
Shovels, long-handled	84	1 25	105 00	4	1 00	4	1 00	4 00
Spades	4	1 00	4 00	12	2 00	12	2 00	24 00
Scythes	12	2 00	24 00	10	1 25	10	1 25	11 25
Saws, hand	10	1 25	12 50	4	4 00	4	4 00	16 00
Saws, cross-cut	4	4 00	16 00	1	75	1	75	75
Spoke-shave	1	75	75	1	50	1	50	50
Spanner	1	50	50	1	25	1	25	25
Screw-driver	1	25	25	8	3 00	8	3 00	18 00
Sledges, steel	8	3 00	24 00	1	3 00	1	3 00	3 00
Sand-screen	1	3 00	3 00	2	1 25	2	1 25	2 50
Scoops	2	1 25	2 50	2	5 00	2	5 00	10 00
Scrapers	2	5 00	10 00	6	25	6	25	1 50
Spigots	6	25	1 50	11-20	4 75	11-20	4 75	4 99
Spikes	11-20	4 75	4 99	3	1 50	3	1 50	4 50
Scales, triangular	3	1 50	4 50	1	1 50	1	1 50	1 50
Scale, graduating	1	1 50	1 50					

Value of tools and surveyors' instruments, &c.—Continued.

Articles.	Received.			Issued.		Remaining on hand.		
	Quan- tity.	Price.	Value.	Quan- tity.	Value.	Quan- tity.	Price.	Value.
Scale, architects'	1	\$1 50	\$1 50	.....	.....	1	\$1 50	\$1 50
Scale, box wood	1	1 50	1 50	.....	.....	1	1 50	1 50
Scale, metallic	1	1 50	1 50	.....	.....	1	1 50	1 50
Spirit-levels	6	2 50	15 00	.....	.....	6	2 50	15 00
Spirit-level bulb	1	50	50	.....	.....	1	50	50
Scales, platform	2	6 00	12 00	.....	.....	2	6 00	12 00
Street-sweeper	1	75 00	75 00	.....	.....	1	75 00	75 00
Trowel	1	25	25	.....	.....	1	25	25
Tackle and blocks	2	2 50	5 00	.....	.....	2	2 50	5 00
Trucks	2	2 00	4 00	.....	.....	2	2 00	4 00
Tar-pourers	2	50	1 00	.....	.....	2	50	1 00
Tongs, blacksmith	1	75	75	.....	.....	1	75	75
Triangle, right-angle	1	50	50	.....	.....	1	50	50
Triangle, wood	1	75	75	.....	.....	1	75	75
Triangles, rubber	4	40	1 60	.....	.....	4	40	1 60
Triangular rule	1	15	15	.....	.....	1	15	15
Transit and tripod	5	125 00	625 00	.....	.....	5	125 00	625 00
Tacks, 10-ounce	4	10	40	4	\$0 40	.....	.....	.....
Work bench	1	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	1	2 00	2 00
Whetstones	3	25	75	.....	.....	3	25	75
Wrenches, monkey	4	1 50	6 00	.....	.....	4	1 50	6 00
Wedge, iron	1	25	25	.....	.....	1	25	25
Wheelbarrows	6	9 00	54 00	.....	.....	6	9 00	54 00
Water-barrels	6	3 00	18 00	.....	.....	6	3 00	18 00
Tape-lines	9	6 00	54 00	.....	.....	9	6 00	54 00
Twine, linen	1	05	05	.....	.....	1	05	05
Total .....	.....	.....	2,911 86	.....	154 57	.....	.....	2,757 29

E. B. TOWNSEND,
Superintendent of Property.

APPENDIX D.—Report of stationery, books, and records received, issued, &c.—Continued.

Date.	Name.	Envelopes, No. 9.	Envelopes, No. 10.	Envelopes, appli- cation.	Erasers, ink and pencil.	Erasers, ink and pencil.	Files, Woodruff.	File-boards.	Hones.	Ink, black.	Ink, black, 4	Ink, blue.	Ink, carbine, 2	Ink, carbine, 4	Ink, assorted.	Ink, India, black.	Ink, India, col- ored.	Inkstands, dou- ble.	Inkstands, single.	Inkstands, as- sorted.	Maps, city.	Maps, county.	Maps, cottons.	Muchilage.	Muchilage-founts.	McGill's fasten- ers.	McGill's punch.
1874.																											
July 8	On hand per last inventory	34			34	6	12																				
Sept. 23	Received from Solomon & Chapman.																										
	Received from John A. B. Ford's office, vol. A. 1874																										
30	Received from Solomon & Chapman.																										
	No. 3218, engineer's office	104	600	4	48	66		12																			
	Total to be accounted for	143	600	4	90	72	24	18	2	60	1	1	76	1	2	6			1	3							
	Issued to S. H. Bodfish, assistant en- gineer	25			5	24	6	5	1	4	8																
	Issued to Geo. E. Baker, comptroller.				1	1																					
	Issued to Wm. Morgan and Geo. W.																										
	Bent, assessment office	500			2	4																					
	Issued to E. C. Chubb, board of audit.	400			2	1	3	1																			
	Issued to E. C. Chubb, board of audit.				2			274		24																	
	Issued to Timothy Lacey, water-reg- istrar	1,000			2	6				4																	
	Issued to Wm. Forsythe, surveyor				6	6		12																			
	Issued to J. T. Vinson, auditor, D. C.	500			6	6		6		5																	
	Issued to Wm. Thudall, secretary				4	6		18		6																	
	Issued to Joseph Williams, fire-com- missioner	100																									
	Transferred to J. F. Hodgson, intend- ant Washington Asylum	500			1	1																					
	Transferred to John F. Cook, collector, D. C.				3																						
	Transferred to James S. Wilson, treas- urer, D. C.																										
	Transferred to Frank T. Howe, chief Commodore, board of public works, and sold Latimer and Cleary	4,550			16	14	12		2	16	5	6															
	Total issued	6,975	600		47	57	21	316	2	65	13	1	33	1	2	7	8	13	14	21	6						
	Total remaining on hand	7,525			43	15	3	534	2	314			49			3			106	28	6	1	10	7	30	36	1

APPENDIX D.—*Report of stationery, books, and records received, issued, &c.—Continued.*

Date.	Name.	Pencils, colored.	Pins.	Paper-cutters.	Paper-weights.	Punch, eyelet.	Pounce-box.	Pockets, Russia.	Portraits.	Rest, book.	Rest, arm.	Rulers, rubber.	Rulers, draughts-men.	Sponge, rubber.	Stamp, office.	Shears, office.	Scales, post-office.	Twine, linen.	Twine, hemp.	Tape, red.	Triangles, rub-ber.	Triangles, as-sorted.	Tables, bank-ets.	Tables, sand-paper.	Tools, thumb.	Wells for press.
1874. July 8	On hand per last inventory.....	Doz. 1	Pair 10	No. 89	No. 2	No. 2	No. 3	No. 32	No. 31	No. 4	No. 41	No. 2	No. 3	No. 15	No. 8	No. 3	No. 1	No. 4	No. 2	No. 172	No. 6	No. 5	No. 1	No. 172	No. 6	No. 1
Sept. 14	Received from Solomon & Chapman.																									
29	Received from John C. Parker, Nos. 2775, 2722, engineer's office, vol. A, 1874.																									
30	Received from Solomon & Chapman, No. 3218, engineer's office.	24	26	6	6	1				1	1	6			1				1	4	6	1				3
	Total to be accounted for	34	26	16	95	3	2	3	32	4	32	10	41	2	3	16	8	3	1	4	6	1		172	6	8
	Issued to S. H. Bodfish, assistant en- gineer							3				1		3									5	12	6	8
	Issued to Geo. E. Baker, comptroller		4	2	7															6						
	Issued to Wm. Morgan and Geo. W. Beall, assessment office.											1									1					
	Issued to B. Oertly, assistant engineer											1														
	Issued to E. G. Church, board of audit.											1			1	1										
	Issued to Timothy Linbey, water-reg- istrar.		1	1							3	1														
	Issued to Wm. Forsythe, surveyor	1	1																							
	Issued to J. T. Vinson, auditor, D. C.		12	3	1				1																	
	Issued to Wm. Tindall, secretary.....																						12			
	Issued to Joseph Williams, fire-com- missioner																									
	Transferred to J. F. Hodgson, intend- ant Washington Asylum.																									
	Transferred to John F. Cook, collector, D. C.																									
	Transferred to James S. Wilson, treas- urer, D. C.																									
	Transferred to Frank T. Howe, chief clerk.	14	7				2																130			
	Condemned, board of public works, and sold Latimer & Cleary							9																		
	Total issued	34	3	30	1	2	3	9	1	3	10	41	2	3	2	14	7	3	1	4	6	1	5	172	6	8
	Total remaining on hand	2	13	65	2			231	3	29	29									2						1

I certify that the foregoing is correct.

E. B. TOWNSEND, Superintendent of Property.

REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA. 199

Value of stationery received, issued, and remaining on hand from July 1, 1874, to October 31, 1874, inclusive.

Articles.	Received.			Issued.		Remaining on hand.		
	Quan- tity.	Price.	Value.	Quan- tity.	Value.	Quan- tity.	Price.	Value.
Brushes, camel's hair number..	18	\$0 01	\$0 18	6	\$0 06	12	\$0 01	\$0 12
Books, memorandum dozen..	3½	12	42	3½	42			
Books, time, new number..	13	33	4 29			13	33	4 29
Books, profile field do.	4			4				
Books, blank, large do.	2	10 00	20 00	2	20 00			
Books, letters received do.	1	6 10	6 10	1	6 10			
Books, letters copy do.	6	30	1 80	4	1 20	2	30	60
Blank forms 24, 150	*3 43	82 83	23, 950	82 14	200	*3 43	69	
Blank wrappers 5, 000	*3 47	17 35	5, 000	17 35				
Bells, call number..	10	90	9 00	1	90	9	90	8 10
Baskets, office do.	102	1 00	102 00	13	13 00	89	1 00	89 00
Baskets, letter do.	3	1 00	3 00			3	1 00	3 00
Blotters, Moore's do.	52	15	7 80	14	2 10	38	15	5 70
Bands, rubber gross..	248	11	27 28	75½	8 30	172½	11	18 98
Blotting-pads number..	7	1 00	7 00			7	1 00	7 00
Chalk, white pounds..	5	01	05			5	01	05
Chalk, red do.	1	01	01			1	01	01
Calendars number..	3	50	1 50			3	50	1 50
Clasps, hand do.	14	75	10 50			14	75	10 50
Cups and sponges do.	100	01	1 00	38	38	62	01	62
Duster, feather do.	1	4 00	4 00	1	4 00			
Delivery post-office do.	9	1 25	11 25			9	1 25	11 25
Dictionaries do.	4	12 00	48 00			4	12 00	48 00
Directory, real-estate do.	1	100 00	100 00			1	100 00	100 00
Envelopes, No. 3 thousand.	1	1 00	1 00			1	1 00	1 00
Envelopes, No. 6 do.	7	1 30	9 10	4, 700	6 11	2, 300	1 30	2 99
Envelopes, No. 7 do.	5	1 30	6 50			5, 000	1 30	6 50
Envelopes, No. 9 do.	14½	1 95	28 27	6, 975	13 60	7, 525	1 95	14 67
Envelopes, No. 10 do.	600	*1 95	1 08	600	1 08			
Envelopes, application, thousand.	½	20	10 00			½	20	10 00
Erasers, steel number..	90	1 70	153 00	47	79 90	43	1 70	73 10
Erasers, ink and pencil do.	72	06	4 32	57	3 42	15	06	90
Erasers, Faber's mammoth do.	24	30	7 20	24	7 20			
Eyeglasses boxes..	6	35	2 10	6	2 10			
Files, Woodruff number..	850	15	127 50	316	47 40	534	15	80 10
File-boards do.	4	01	04	2	02	2	01	02
Hones do.	3	01	03	2	02	1	01	01
Ink, black quarts..	96½	24	23 16	65	15 60	31½	24	7 56
Ink, black pints..	13	12	1 56	13	1 56			
Ink, blue quarts..	1	01	01	1	01			
Ink, carmine 2 ounces..	82	10	8 20	33	3 30	49	10	4 90
Ink, carmine 4 ounces..	1	10	10	1	10			
Ink, assorted bottles..	2	10	20	2	20			
Ink, India, black cakes..	10	49	4 90	7	3 43	3	49	1 47
Ink, India, colored do.	8	48	3 84	8	3 84			
Inkstands, double number..	13	90	11 70	13	11 70			
Inkstands, single do.	14	33	4 62	14	4 62			
Inkstands, assorted do.	127	25	31 75	21	5 25	106	25	26 50
Inks, city do.	34							
Maps, county do.	6							
Maps, Colton's do.	1							
McCallage quarts..	10	19	1 90	10	1 90			
Mucilage-founts number..	37	1 75	64 75	7	12 25	30	1 75	52 50
McGill's fasteners boxes..	45	03	1 35	9	27	36	03	1 08
McGill's punches number..	3	01	02	1	01	1	01	01
Paper, legal cap reams..	13½	1 70	22 95	10½	17 42	3½	1 70	5 53
Paper, foolscap do.	14½	1 90	28 02	14½	28 02			
Paper, letter do.	11½	1 70	19 12	11½	19 12			
Paper, bank post do.	½	04	02	½	02			
Paper, note do.	16	70	11 20	7½	5 25	8½	70	5 95
Paper, statement quires..	34	11 50	19 55	34	19 55			
Paper, cross-section sheets..	100	25	25 00	100	25 00			
Paper, tracing rolls..	4½	10 00	47 50	4½	47 50			
Paper, elephant sheets..	6	10	60	6	60			
Paper, egg-shell rolls..	5	10 00	50 00	5	50 00			
Paper, telegraph do.								
Paper, blotting sheets..	837	02	16 74	320	6 40	517	02	10 34
Paper, wrapping quires..	83	195	3 94	29	1 38	54	95	2 57
Paper, oil sheets..	6	01	06			6	01	06
Pens, steel, assorted gross..	220½	73	160 96	56	40 88	164½	73	120 09
Pens, drawing number..	4	05	20	4	20			
Pens, ruling do.	12	1 00	12 00	12	12 00			
Pens, mapping gross..	1	1 00	1 00	1	1 00			
Pens, right-line number..	2	2 50	5 00	2	5 00			
Pen-holders, wood dozen..	3	65	1 95	3	1 95			

* Per thousand.

† Per ream.

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Value of stationery received, issued, and remaining on hand, &c.—Continued.

Articles.	Received.			Issued.		Remaining on hand.		
	Quantity.	Price.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Price.	Value.
Pen-holders, rubber .....dozen..	1	\$1 20	\$1 20	1	\$1 20			
Pen-holders, assorted.....do.	129	75	96 75	6	4 50	123	\$0 75	\$92 25
Pen-racks.....number.	18	25	4 50			18	25	4 50
Pencils, lead.....dozen.	115½	27	31 14	56½	15 25	59	27	15 93
Pencils, colored.....do.	33	04	14	3½	14			
Pins, toilet, rolls.....number..	96	03	78	24	72	2	03	06
Paper-cutters.....do.	16	05	80	3	15	13	05	65
Paper-weights.....do.	95	01	95	30	30	65	01	65
Punch, eyelet.....do.	3	3 00	9 00	1	3 00	2	3 00	6 00
Pounce-box.....do.	2	25	50	2	50			
Portraits.....do.	32					32		
Pockets, Russia.....do.	3			3				
Rests, book.....do.	4	1 00	4 00			4	1 00	4 00
Rests, arm.....do.	32	1 00	32 00	3	3 00	29	1 00	29 00
Rulers, rubber.....do.	10	50	5 00	10	5 00			
Rulers, assorted.....do.	41	75	30 75			41	75	30 75
Rulers, draughtsmen's.....do.	2	1 50	3 00	2	3 00			
Sponge-rubbers.....do.	3	10	30	3	30			
Stamps, office.....do.	2	2 90	5 80	2	5 80			
Shears, office.....do.	8	1 00	8 00			8	1 00	8 00
Scales, post-office.....do.	3	4 00	12 00			3	4 00	12 00
Twine, linen.....balls.	1	01	01			1	01	01
Twine, hemp.....do.	4	01	04			4	01	04
Tape, red.....pieces.	8	01	08	6	06	2	01	02
Triangle, rubber.....number.	1	01	01	1	01			
Tablets, banker's.....do.	172	10	17 20	172	17 20			
Tablets, sand-paper.....do.	6	10	60	6	60			
Tacks, thumb.....dozen.	8	05	40	8	40			
Total.....			1,664 36		723 26			941 10

E. B. TOWNSEND,
Superintendent of Property.

APPENDIX A f.

ENGINEER OFFICE, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,

Washington, December 1, 1874.

SIR: I herewith submit my report of work done and expenditures incurred from July 1 to December 1, 1874, as shown by the certified bills of this office, giving a total of \$57,289.41.

On July 1, 1874, the lighting of the public street-lamps of this city was transferred to the Washington Gas-light Company, in pursuance of the act of Congress approved June 23, 1874, and I am enabled to say, from close observation both by day and night, that the Gas Company has carried out the law fully, and has shown a disposition to meet all the requirements of this office.

But few lamps have been erected during the past four months, and they only on streets where they were actually necessary. Thirty-one lamps have been removed from the county on account of there being no provision made by the last legislature to light them, the county not being by law subject to a gas-tax. These lamps have been erected in various parts of the city, and are now being lighted. There have been erected and paid for by the superintendent of public buildings and grounds 83 street-lamps, which have been turned over and are now being lighted and repaired by the city, and as Congress has required the city to light the streets and avenues, I think some provision should be made by the General Government to light the public reservations, as the lamps in and around the same number some four hundred, and are a heavy tax to the city. I would respectfully recommend that the lighting of the streets be continued as fast as the revenue of the city will permit, as it is the greatest safeguard to the public, as shown by the report of the police-department that many of the worst parts of the city have become the most peaceable.

The city of Georgetown is still lighted by meter-measurement, as it does not come under the provision of the law passed by Congress last June regulating gas-works.

The Georgetown Gas Company has recently reduced the price of gas to the District, which will be quite a saving to that city in the future.

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I submit also a tabular statement of gas consumed by the District departments, with the number of street-lamps erected and repaired, together with the cost thereof.

Very respectfully,

W. H. BAILEY,
Overseer of Lamps.

Lieut. R. L. HOXIE, U. S. A.,
Engineer District of Columbia.

Tabular statement of expenditures for lamps and gas from July 1 to December 1, 1874.

Gas for street-lamps	\$48,635 33
Gas for District offices	290 25
Gas for police-stations	425 75
Gas for fire-department	374 75
Gas for school-houses	264 00
55 lamp-posts erected	426 00
32 lamp-posts purchased	291 35
31 new lamps	154 68
79 old posts moved to new curbs	446 30
40 lamps placed on posts	10 00
Number of street-lamps in Washington since July 1, 1874	2,841
Erected since July 1, 1874	140
	2,981

GEORGETOWN.

Gas for street-lamps	5,484 34
Gas for fire-department	97 44
Gas for market-house	119 62
Gas for station-house	105 80
Glass and tin repairs	127 09
4 new lamps	19 96
Matches	16 75
	57,289 41
Number of street-lamps in Washington	2,981
Number of street-lamps in Georgetown	320
Total	3,301

Estimate for lighting public offices, streets, and repairs for the cities of Washington and Georgetown, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1875, and June 30, 1876.

Gas for street-lamps and public offices in the cities of Washington and Georgetown, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1875	\$58,276 75
New lamps and repairs	1,362 41
	59,639 16
Gas for street-lamps and public offices in the cities of Washington and Georgetown, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1876	\$150,000 00

W. H. BAILEY,
Overseer of Lamps.

APPENDIX A g.

WASHINGTON, D. C.,
November 20, 1874.

SIR: I have the honor herewith to transmit tabular statements of building-permits, public buildings, and wharves in the District of Columbia.

The latter embrace all the property owned by the District, so far as I have positive information. The irregular manner in which statistics of the property have been kept

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makes it difficult to obtain proper data for as full tables as could be desired, but perhaps sufficient facts have been ascertained to answer every practical purpose. The bills for repairs have not all been received, hence the necessity of estimating in some instances.

These statements make it unnecessary to enter more fully into detail at this time except in the matter of the Washington Asylum.

The inspector fully indorses the recommendation of Mr. Mullett, supervising architect United States Treasury Department, in the purchase of the Washington Asylum by the General Government for the uses named by him, the proceeds of such sale to be used, with additional appropriations, for the erection of suitable buildings on the site now owned by the District, known as the Georgetown Poor-House.

This is a much more eligible and desirable location than the present, and the real property would revert to the heirs if its present uses were discontinued.

All of which is respectfully submitted for your consideration.

Very respectfully,

THOS. M. PLOWMAN,
Inspector.

Lieutenant HOXIE, U. S. A.,
Engineer, D. C.

B.

ENGINEER'S OFFICE, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, November 10, 1874.

Tabular statement of building-permits issued since July 8, 1874.

For brick dwellings	215
For brick stores	13
For brick churches	1
For brick hotels	1
For brick school-houses, (private)	2
For brick back buildings	19
For brick stables	13
For brick buildings repaired	22
For brick offices, bay-windows	
For brick vaults and steps	7
For brick bake-houses	1
For brick blacksmith-shop	1
For frame dwellings	109
For frame back buildings	9
For frame stables	7
For frame buildings repaired	16
For shingle roofs	1
For frame school-houses	1
For frame coal and wood yards	5
For frame winter-garden	1
For frame blacksmith and wheelwright shops	2
Total	446

THOMAS M. PLOWMAN,
Inspector.

C.—Tabular statement of public buildings by inspector of buildings.

WASHINGTON SCHOOLS, (WHITE.)

District.	Number.	Location.	Description of building.	Site and building owned by—	Number of school-rooms.		Rent paid per annum.	Sq. feet of ground owned by city.	Value of ground.	Value of buildings.	Total value.	Cost of repairs from July 1 to November 30, 1874.	Estimated cost of repairs for ensuing year.
					Owued.	Rented.							
First...	1	Franklin building, cor. 13th and K sts., N. W.	Brick, 148 by 74, basement and three stories.	City	16			15,000	\$25,000	\$122,000	\$213,000		
	2	Cor. 14th and Q sts.	Brick, 50 by 27, two stories	City	2			3,033	3,000	4,000	7,000		
	3	Cor. 14th and G sts., N. W.	Brick, 40 by 36, one story.	City	1			2,059	5,000	500	5,500		
	4	W. Cor. 13th and 14th sts., N. W.	Wood, 40 by 30, one story.	Site, J. W. Barker, building by city.	1		\$500		100	100	100		
	5	Cor. 22d and I sts., N. W.	Wood, 150 by 30, two stories	Site, Mrs. M. M. Cameron, building by city.	6		400		2,000	2,000	2,000		
	6	14th st., bet. Ohio ave. and D st., N. W.	Wood, 50 by 26, 1 story	Site, estate E. C. Dyer, building by city.	1		60			300	300		
	7	Cor. 19th and H sts., N. W.	Brick, 45 by 25, two stories	City	2			1,500	1,200	1,800	3,000		
	8	1st Baptist church, 13th, bet. G and H sts., N. W.	Brick, basement.	1st Baptist church.		2	500						
	9	19th, bet. G and H sts., N. W.	Brick, 60 by 30, two stories.	Rev. C. I. White	2		1,000						
	10	N st., bet. 10th and 11th sts., N. W.	Wood, 38 by 42, one story.	William Durr	1		300						
	11	Cor. 20th and R sts., N. W.	Brick, 47 by 25, one story.	Mission Sunday-school.	1		300						
Total					29	6	3,060	21,622	34,200	196,700	231,900	833 25	\$5,000
Second.	1	Seaton building, I st., bet. 2d and 3d sts., N. W.	Brick, 94 by 67, basement and three stories.	City	10			15,500	12,000	48,000	60,000		
	2	H st., bet. 2d and 3d sts., N. W.	Brick, two stories.	J. C. McKellen.		4	1,200						
	3	Pennsylvania ave., bet. 6th and 7th sts., N. W.	Brick, second story.	Mrs. Ann S. Parker		2	600						
	4	Wesley chapel, cor. 5th and F sts., N. W.	Brick, basement	Wesley chapel		2	600						
	5	Miller building, H st., bet. 6th and 7th sts., N. W.	Brick, 50 by 40, three stories	J. W. Barker		4	1,900						
	6	Congregational church, cor. 10th and G sts., N. W.	Brick, basement.	Congregational church.		1	600						
	7	Berret building, cor. N. Y. ave. and 6th st., N. W.	Brick, 50 by 32, three stories	City		3		6,375	8,000	6,000	14,000		
	8	Emanuel church, 6th st., bet. L and M sts., N. W.	Brick, basement	Emanuel church		2	400						

Tabular statement of public buildings by inspector of buildings—Continued.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS, (WHITE.)

District.	Number.	Location.	Description of building.	Site and building owned by—	Number of school-rooms.		Rent paid per annum.	Sq. feet of ground owned by city.	Value of ground.	Value of buildings.	Total value.	Cost of repairs from July 1, 1874, to Nov. 30, 1874.	Estimated cost of repairs for ensuing year.
					Owne.	Rented.							
Second.	9	O st., bet. 4th and 5th sts., N. W.	Brick, basement and two stories.	George W. Cissell.		4	\$1,000						
	10	Grace Methodist Epis. church, cor. 9th and S., N. W.	Brick, second story.	Grace Methodist Episcopal church.		4	1,000						
Third.		Total			13	23	7,300	21,575	\$20,000	\$54,000	\$74,000	\$896 00	\$7,000
	1	Wallach building, Pennsylvania ave., bet. 7th and 8th sts., S. E.	Brick, 39 by 75, basement and three stories.	City	12			111,836	45,000	40,000	85,000		
	2	McCormick building, 3d st., bet. D and E sts., S. E.	Brick, 35 by 45, basement and three stories.	City	4			10,800	2,500	13,000	15,500		
	3	Masonic Hall, cor. 3th and Virginia ave., S. E.	Brick, first and second stories.	Masonic order.		2	500						
	4	E st., bet. 5th and 6th sts., S. E.	Wood, one story.	George F. Gulick.	2	1	180	3,000	1,000	3,000	4,000		
	5	Old Fellows' Hall, cor. 7th and G sts., S. E.	Brick, 40 by 25, two stories.	City									
	6	Anacostia building, 9th st., bet. K and Virginia ave., S. E.	Brick, 38 by 24, two stories.	City	2			1,500	300	2,800	3,100		
	7	Cranch building, cor. 12th and G sts., S. E.	Brick, 79 by 36, basement and three stories.	City	6			7,777	2,000	24,000	26,000		
	8	Corner 3d and A sts., S. E.	Wood, one story.	Memorial parish.		2	420						
	9	Capitol Hill English Lutheran church, 1st st., bet. C and D sts., S. E.	Wood, one story.	St. Paul's Eng. Luth. church.		1	240						
	10	New Jerusalem church, North A st., bet. B and C sts., S. E.	Brick basement.	New Jerusalem church.		1	300						
	11	A st., bet. 7th and 8th sts., N. E.	Wood, one story.	George F. Gulick.	2	600							
	12	Cor. 7th and A sts., N. E.	Wood, one story.	George F. Gulick.	1	400							
	13	Cor. 3d and I sts., S. E.	Wood, used for store-room.	W. Nottingham.		180		4,000	1,200		1,200		
	14	Cor. 3d and D sts., S. E.		City				9,578	3,952		3,952		
	15	Cor. 5th and C sts., N. E.		City									
		Total			26	10	2,820	149,391	55,952	\$2,840	138,752	2,131 25	3,000

Fourth.	1	Jefferson building, cor. 6th and D sts., S. W. and three stories	Brick, 172 by 88, basement and three stories	City	20	63, 228	30, 000	122, 000	152, 000	.....
	2	Greenleaf building 4½ st., bet. M and N. S. W.	Brick, 72 by 32, two stories	City	4	6, 000	1, 500	8, 000	9, 500	.....
	3	Potomac building, 19th st. bet. Marylandave. and E. st., S. W.	Brick, 72 by 32, two stories	City	4	4, 500	1, 125	8, 000	9, 125	.....
	4	G. st., bet. 6th and 7th sts., S. W.	Wood, one story	C. B. Church	1	300				.....
		Total			28	73, 758	32, 625	138, 000	170, 625	3, 137
					1					2, 000

RECAPITULATION.

First district	39	6	3, 060	21, 632	34, 200	196, 700	220, 900	833 25	5, 000
Second district	13	22	7, 300	21, 875	20, 000	54, 000	74, 000	698 00	7, 000
Third district	26	10	2, 820	149, 301	55, 932	82, 800	128, 752	9, 132 25	3, 000
Fourth district	28	1	300	73, 758	32, 625	128, 000	170, 625	3, 131 00	2, 000
Grand total	96	40	13, 480	266, 076	102, 777	471, 500	614, 277	6, 799 50	17, 000

Tabular statement of public buildings by inspector of buildings—Continued.

GEORGETOWN SCHOOLS.

Location.	Description of building.	When erected.	Site and building owned by—	Number of school-rooms.	Rent annum.	Square feet of ground owned by city.	Value of ground.	Value of buildings.	Total value.	Cost of repairs from July 7 to November 30, 1874.	Estimated cost of repairs for ensuing year.
Montgomery street.	City	.....	.....	.....	\$1,120 00	.....	\$8,930 00	.....	.....
High street.	City	.....	.....	.....	500 00	.....	4,500 00	.....	.....
Prospect street.	City	.....	.....	.....	1,200 00	.....	11,500 00	.....	.....
Rented buildings.	City	.....	\$400 00	.....	13,000 00	.....	69,115 00	.....	.....
New school-building.	City	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	102,035 00	.....	.....
Total.	400 00	.....	16,930 00	85,115 00	102,035 00	.....	\$500 00

* Unfinished.

COUNTY SCHOOLS.

No. of buildings.	Location.	Description.	Value of sites.	Value of school-buildings.	Total value.	Cost of repairs from July 7 to November 30, 1874.	Estimated cost of repairs for ensuing year.
17	Buildings different points in the county, owned by the District.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1	New building on Conduit road, above General Government reservoir. (Site owned by the General Government.)	No of rooms, 33. Buildings in fair state of repair. New and complete.	\$6,500 00	\$44,350 00	\$50,850 00	\$1,187 60	\$3,600 00
18	Total	Total	6,500 00	45,625 00	52,125 00	1,187 60	3,600 00

Tabular statement of public buildings by inspector of buildings—Continued.

COLORED SCHOOLS.

No. of district.	Designation and location.	Description of building.	When built.	Site and building owned by—	Number of school-rooms.		Rent paid per annum.	Square feet of ground owned by city.	Value of ground.	Value of buildings.	Total value.	Cost of repairs from July 1 to November 30, 1874.	Estimated cost of repairs for ensuing year.
					Owued.	Rented.							
1	Sumner school-building, cor. M and 17th sts., N. W.	Brick, 94 by 69, three stories and basement.	1872	City	10			25,130	\$17,500	\$70,000	\$87,500		
1	Stevens school-building, 21st st., bet. K and L sts.	Brick, four stories	1868	City	14			16,481	8,240	29,000	37,240		
1	S street school-house.	Frame, one story.		New England Friends' Association.									
2	John F. Cook building, O st., bet. 4th and 5th.	Brick, three stories; also, one-story frame connected with this school.	1867	City	12	1		8,640	5,000	12,000	17,000		
3	Lincoln building, cor. 2d and C sts., S. E.	Brick, three stories and basement	1871	City	10			11,900	7,560	37,500	45,000		
3	Lovejoy school-building, cor. 12th and D sts., N. E.	Brick, three stories and Mansard roof.	1872	City	6			14,010	5,600	16,700	22,300		
4	Anthony Bowen building	Brick, two stories, with one-story brick and one-story frame connected.	1867	City	8	2		8,000	4,500	9,000	13,500		
4	Delaware avenue school, cor. H and 1st sts., S. W.	Frame, one story.	1869	City	5			9,088	1,200	2,000	3,200		
5	Chamberlain building, east of mill, and one square north of West st., Georgetown.	Frame, two stories	1866	City	8			5,800	2,000	3,000	5,000		
	Total				73	3		98,949	51,540	179,200	230,740		\$5,000

MARKET-HOUSES, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Designation.	Location.	Description.	Value of site owned by District.	Value of building.	Amount of contribution.	Cost of repairs from July 1 to November 30, 1874.	Estimated cost of repairs for ensuing year.
Eastern Market.....	Corner 7th st. and North Carolina av., S. E.	Brick new, substantial and well adapted.	\$20,000	\$25,000	.....	\$420	\$200
Georgetown Market.....	Corner of Bridge and Market sts.	Brick; recently raised by board of public works.	Donated.	50,000	.....	None.	2,500
Western Market.....	K st., bet. 19th and 20th sts., N. W. (Temporary sheds on sidewalk.)	New building in course of erection, corner of 21st and K sts., N. W.	26,000	.....	53,500	.....	.....
Northern Market.....	7th st., bet. O and P sts., N. W. (Temporary sheds.)	New building in course of erection	100,000	.....	174,000	.....	.....
Northeastern Market*.	H st., bet. 3d and 3d sts., N. E.	Iron and wood building; site leased at \$700 per annum.	.....	20,000	.....	.....	200
Total .....	.....	.....	156,000	155,000	227,500	420	3,000

* This market is now closed.

WASHINGTON AND GEORGETOWN ASYLUMS OR POOR-HOUSES.

Designation.	Location.	Description.	Site.	Value of build- ing.	Cost of repairs from July 7 to November 30, 1874.	Estimate of ex- tension and re- pairs for the ensuing year.
Washington Asylum...	Situated on the Eastern Branch, adjoining new jail; site valuable, and owned by General Government.	Four-story brick, partially fire-proof	Owned by Gen- eral Govern- ment.	\$95,000	None	\$93,000
Georgetown Asylum...	Intendant's residence	Two-story, basement and Mansard-roof, brick building.	Owned by Gen- eral Govern- ment.	5,600	None	100
Old Town Hall, George- town.	Located north of Georgetown College; site donated especially for Poor-house. Situated on Bridge street, Georgetown; part of, or known as Lang's Hotel.	Ordinary buildings	\$20,000	4,000	None	500
	Total	Ordinary .....	.....	8,000	.....	.....
	Total value of sites and buildings .....	.....	20,000	112,600	.....	98,600
		.....	.....	132,600	.....	.....

FIRE-ENGINE HOUSES, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Number.	Location of building.	Kind of apparatus.	Total value of property.	Cost of repairs from July 7 to Nov. 30, 1874.	Estimated cost of repairs for ensuing year.
1	K street, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth, northwest	Engine	\$12,000	.....	.....
2	D and Twelfth streets, northwest	Engine	8,000	.....	.....
3	General Government .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	Virginia avenue, near Fourth-and-a-half street	Engine	10,000	.....	.....
5	High street, Georgetown	Engine	6,000	.....	.....
.....	Massachusetts avenue, between Fourth and Fifth streets	Truck-house for hook and ladder	8,000	\$500	\$3,000
	Total .....	.....	44,000	500	3,000

STATION-HOUSES, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Location.	Description of building.	Site and building owned by—	Rent paid per annum.	Square feet of ground owned by city.	Value of ground.	Value of buildings.	Total value.	Cost of repairs from July 7 to November 30, 1874.	Estimated cost of repairs for ensuing year.
Central guard-house, Louisiana ave., near 9th st., N. W.	Brick, two stories, 50 by 80 feet.	City					\$40,000 00		
Foot of Washington street, N. E. st. bet. 2d and 4th sts.	Brick, two stories, good repair.	Rented	\$400 00						
Second precinct, 7th and B sts., N. W.	Brick, two-story, fair condition.	do	400 00						
Third precinct station-house, High and Canal sts., Georgetown.	Brick, two-story, good condition.	City					13,000 00		
Fourth precinct, 20th and K sts., N. W.	Brick, two-story, good repair.	do					15,000 00		
Sixth precinct, cor. New York ave. and K sts., N. W.	Frame, two-story, valuable site, building dilapidated.	do					10,000 00		
Seventh precinct, cor. 1st and E sts., N. W.	Brick, two-story.	Rented	840 00				14,000 00		
Eighth precinct, cor. 5th and E sts., S. W.	Brick, two-story, good repair.	City					1,500 00		
Lot in Uniontown—no building.									
Total.			2,340 00				93,500 00	\$407 57	\$8,700 00

* Repairs as per bills presented.

† Estimated repairs on present buildings.

D.—Tabular statement of public wharves in Georgetown, D. C.

Locality.	Value.	To whom leased.	Date of lease.		Annual rental.	Cost of repairs from July 7 to November 30, 1874.	Estimated cost of repairs for ensuing year.	Remarks.
			Commencement.	Expiration.				
Foot of Washington street.	\$6,000	William H. and Joseph L. Shums.	Apr. 16, 1863	Apr. 16, 1873	\$25	None	Not known.	Last rent paid to old corporation, date not known; lessees are willing to pay arrears and renew lease upon same terms; contains a large two-story brick planing-mill, with valuable wharf-property.
Foot of Congress street.		Potomac Boat Club, Wm. A. Gordon, treasurer.	May 14, 1870	May 14, 1875	20			Contains a large frame building; rent paid to May 13, 1872.

Foot of High street.....	Vacant .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Used indiscriminately by several parties; former annual rental \$100; Joseph G. Waters, Baltimore, steamship line, will take it on same terms.
Foot of Potomac street.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Usually leased by sealed proposals about 1st of March each year for a fish-wharf; has brought over \$1,000 rental but lately not over \$300 per annum; William Barker, market-master, had charge of it last year.
Foot of Market street.....	E. M. Linthicum	Aug. 6, 1864	Aug. 6, 1874	100	.....	.....	Covered by heavy freestone-work, and used as a coal-wharf; no rent paid to District government; lessee willing to pay arrears and-renew lease at same rates.
Foot of Frederick street.....	Alexander Ray	Apr. 1, 1863	Apr. 1, 1873	100	.....	.....	With privilege of an extension of lease for five years; no rental paid District government.
Foot of Fayette street, bordering on Bridge street.	Vacant .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Cumberland Coal Company leased it for ten years from September 1, 1863, at a rental of \$200 per annum; date of payment of rental unknown.
Foot of Fayette street, between Canal and Water streets.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Occupied by Messrs. J. W. Dyer & Son; they never paid any rental; a large frame planing-mill is erected thereon; they are willing to pay arrears and enter into a lease at a fair price.
Foot of Lingan street, bordering on Bridge street.	C. C. Fearson	May 9, 1863	.....	25	.....	.....	Occupied by Mark Young; has a large frame corn-mill thereon; never paid any rental; is willing to pay arrears since he has occupied it and enter into a lease at \$50 per annum.
Parts of Water and Warren streets, west of Alexandria aqueduct bridge.	Henry H. Dodge .....	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	Occupied by a small frame store, which is now owned by John Scrivener, who will pay arrears and lease the property.
Foot of College street, bordering on Bridge street.	Robert T. Arlow	Sept. 25, 1866	.....	15	.....	.....	Rental paid regularly.
Bridge street, west of Aqueduct bridge.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Never paid any rental; is willing to pay up arrears and renew lease; purchased lease from John T. Cook.
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Occupied by Edward Thecker as a store, being a two-story frame building, which stands partly on land of Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company and partly on Bridge street; never paid any rental, but is willing to lease it at \$15 per annum.

THOS. M. THOMSON, *Inspector.*

APPENDIX A*h*.*Report of Overseer of Repairs.*

ENGINEER'S OFFICE, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,

Washington, November 30, 1874.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit tabular report of work done by orders from your office, through me, in the city of Washington, Georgetown, and county, from July 8 to November 15, 1874.

The sweeping of streets and avenues, cleaning alleys, (with the exception of the removal of ashes,) and the repairs of pumps are done by contract for the entire District. The cleaning of sewer-traps and sewers is done by day's work. All the above expenses are charged to the general fund.

To approximate the cost for the above work in Georgetown, one-sixth would be fair.

I would most respectfully call your attention to the necessity of some measure for the removal of ashes from the alleys. A contract was made with William H. Adams, by the late board of works for the removal of garbage and ashes in the city of Washington and Georgetown. He only did it a short time, and gave up the contract as he had taken it at too low a figure. Since then it has been done by the contractors for cleaning alleys, under an order of the late governor, at a large cost over the regular work of cleaning alleys. The removal of ashes and cleaning of alleys should be embraced in one contract.

The contract for the repairs of pumps expired on the 1st of November. Many of them were out of order, but have been repaired by the contractor—those that were out of order before the 1st instant. Many are now out of order. I would recommend that the new contract embrace the filling of wells and replacing of pavements when a well has been filled or opened for repairs. The old material should be returned to the property-yard, as many good pump-stocks are removed from wells that have become foul; also the bricks, in all cases as good as new, as the walls are laid dry. I would also call your attention to the custom of merchants and store-keepers sweeping paper, straw, &c., from the stores after the streets have been cleaned.

There is a corporation law still in force against this practice. If the attention of the chief of police was called to it by you, our streets and avenues would present a better appearance.

I would also recommend that all wood pavements, that the time of the contractor has expired for keeping them in repair, be coated with cement (gas-tar) and coarse sand; it can be well done for 20 cents per yard. I have no doubt that the pavements treated in this way will last at least two years longer than if left as they are.

The streets, avenues, alleys, sewers, and sewer-traps were never in a better sanitary condition than at the present time.

The chain-gang as an experiment is a success. The work they have done in Washington and Georgetown, at a small outlay, would amount to many thousand dollars if done by day's work or contract.

Respectfully,

CHAS. W. CUNNINGHAM,

Overseer.

Lieut. R. L. HOXIE,
Chief Engineer, District of Columbia.

Tabular statement of expenses for work done upon streets, alleys, and sewers, under supervision of engineer's office, from July 8 to November 30, 1874.

	Actual cost.	Charged to contractors.	Charged to general fund.
WASHINGTON.			
Sweeping streets and avenues.....	\$34, 106 75	.....	\$34, 106 75
Cleaning sewer-traps.....	1, 548 25	.....	1, 548 25
Cleaning sewers.....	955 50	.....	955 50
Repairs of alleys.....	960 00	\$863 90	96 10
Repairs of wood pavements.....	1, 709 81	758 76	951 05
Special police and carts with chain-gang.....	1, 844 50	1, 844 50
Repairs of pumps, (by contract).....	3, 579 75	3, 579 75

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Tabular statement of work done upon streets, alleys, &c.—Continued.

	Actual cost.	Charged to contractors.	Charged to general fund.
WASHINGTON.			
Cleaning alleys, (by contract).....	\$11,959 96	.....	\$11,959 96
Material furnished	1,579 69	\$549 30	1,030 39
Miscellaneous work	1,950 45	.....	1,950 45
Total.....	60,194 71	2,171 96	58,022 75
GEORGETOWN.			
Repairs of wood-pavement	63 25	.....	63 25
Special police with chain-gang.....	629 00	.....	629 00
Total.....	692 25	.....	692 25
COUNTY.			
Pay of masons, carpenters, and laborers.....	807 00	.....	807 00
Carts and double teams.....	451 00	.....	451 00
Material	531 45	.....	531 45
Total.....	1,789 45	.....	1,789 45
Grand total.....	62,676 41	2,171 96	60,504 45

APPENDIX A i.

Report of Water-Registrar.

WATER-REGISTRAR'S OFFICE,

Washington, November 13, 1874.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report of work done, under supervision of this office, from June 20 to November 10, in 1874:

WATER-MAINS.

From June 20 to November 10, 1874, there have been laid by the Water Department 20,322½ feet, or 3 $\frac{4482\frac{1}{2}}{5100}$ miles, of water-mains, as follows:

	Feet.
12-inch	11,578
6-inch	4,641½
4-inch	3,524
3 inch	150
1½-inch	245
1-inch	184
Total.....	20,322½

Location, size, &c., of water-mains laid.

Street.	Streets between.	Diameter.	Length.
Boundary	Commencing at Sixth street and running to Ninth street, thence along U street to Boundary, thence along Boundary to Twenty-second street and Massachusetts avenue, thence along Twenty-second street to N street, northwest	Inches	Feet.
	Connections to 12-inch main.....	12	11,578
		6	412

Location, size, &c., of water-mains laid—Continued.

Street.	Streets between.	Diam-eter.	Length
		<i>Inches.</i>	<i>Feet.</i>
L, northwest	Third and Fourth, north side	4	191
Eighteenth, northwest ..	L and M, west side, and along south side of M street to Nineteenth street	4	1, 006
Eighteenth, northwest ..	Connections	6	14
E, northeast	New Jersey avenue and First street	6	568
O, northwest	Fifteenth and Sixteenth	6	108
Q, northwest	Fifteenth and Sixteenth, south side	4	27
Johnson avenue	Fourteenth and Fifteenth, and R and S streets	1½	245
Johnson avenue	Fourteenth and Fifteenth, and R and S streets	6	3
Nineteenth, northwest ..	P and Q, west side	6	296
Q, northwest	Nineteenth and Connecticut avenue	6	388
K, northwest	Sixth and Seventh, both sides	6	796
K, northwest	Sixth and Seventh, both sides	4	60
Seventeenth, northwest ..	Massachusetts avenue and P street	6	144
L, northwest	Connecticut avenue and Eighteenth street ..	4	477
Q, northwest	Fifteenth and Sixteenth, south side	6	468
Pennsylvania ave., S. E. ..	Twelfth and Thirteenth, north side	4	612
Pennsylvania ave., S. E. ..	Twelfth and Thirteenth, north side	6	156
Tenth, northwest	S and T, west side	6	565
A, southeast	Sixth and Seventh, south side	4	660
A, southeast	Sixth and Seventh, south side	6	100
Ninth, northwest	T and W, east side	6	538
	Repairs, Virginia avenue and Canal Connections, North Capitol and Myrtle streets	6	7½
	Connections, Thirteenth and Corcoran	4	68
	Connections, North Capitol and I	6	42
	Connections, Fifth st. and Louisiana avenue ..	4	63
	Used for traps at various places	6	36
	Used for fountains	3	150
F, northwest	First and Second, north side	1	184
		4	360
			20, 322½

WATER-MAINS LOWERED.

Five hundred and seventy-nine feet of water-pipe have been lowered, as follows :

	Feet.
Massachusetts avenue, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets, northwest, 4-inch	432
Twelfth and S streets, northwest, 6-inch	103
Intersection of Q and Seventeenth streets, northwest	44
Total	579

FIRE-PLUGS.

Oiled	607
Opened to flush pipes	350
Painted	259
Left leaking by street-sweepers and shut off	150
Repaired	72
Moved to new curb and reset	9
Lowered	4
Raised to new curb	2

Nine new fire-plugs have been erected, of which the following is a correct list :

Southwest corner M and Nineteenth streets, northwest.
 Northwest corner E and North Capitol streets, northwest.
 Northwest corner Nineteenth and Q streets, northwest.
 Northeast corner K street and reservation, northwest.
 Northwest corner Massachusetts avenue and Seventeenth street, northwest.
 Northeast corner Pennsylvania avenue and Twelfth street, northeast.
 Southeast corner U and Ninth streets, northwest.
 Southwest corner A and Seventh streets, southeast.
 Northeast corner Louisiana avenue and Fifth street, northwest.

STOP-VALVES.

New iron boxes set	57
Large stop-boxes put in to replace old ones.....	19
Large wooden boxes put in to replace old ones	1

Fifty-six stop-valves have been placed at the following locations:

One E and North Capitol streets.
 One Q and Sixteenth streets, northwest.
 One Nineteenth street and Circle, northwest.
 One L street and Connecticut avenue, northwest.
 One F street and New Jersey avenue, northwest.
 One A and Seventh streets, southeast.
 One North Capitol and Myrtle streets, northwest.
 One North Capitol and I streets, northwest.
 One Eighteenth and L streets, northwest.
 Two Sixth and Boundary streets, northwest.
 Two Seventh and Boundary streets, northwest.
 One Eighth and Boundary streets, northwest.
 Two Ninth and Boundary streets, northwest.
 Two Vermont avenue and U street, northwest.
 Two Tenth and U streets, northwest.
 Two Eleventh and U streets, northwest.
 Three Twelfth and U streets, northwest, east side.
 Two Thirteenth and U streets, northwest, east side.
 Two Fourteenth and U streets, northwest.
 Two Fifteenth and U streets, northwest.
 Two Sixteenth and U streets, northwest.
 Two Seventeenth and U streets, northwest.
 Two Eighteenth and U streets, northwest.
 Two Nineteenth and Boundary streets, northwest.
 One Nineteenth and Boundary streets, northwest, east side.
 One Twentieth and Boundary streets, northwest.
 One Connecticut avenue and Boundary street, northwest.
 One S and Boundary streets, northwest.
 One R and Boundary streets, northwest.
 Two Massachusetts avenue and Boundary street, northwest.
 Two Q and Boundary streets, northwest.
 Four P and Twenty-second streets, northwest.
 Two O and Twenty-second streets, northwest.
 Two N and Twenty-second streets, northwest.

HYDRANTS.

4 erected.
 31 new ones put in to replace old ones.
 19 moved to new curb.
 5 taken out.
 456 repaired, (leaks, &c.)

TAPS.

533 taps have been made since June 20. Of this number,
 18 have been made for contractor.
 10 for hydrants.
 7 to replace taps broken by contractors.

WATER-SERVICES.

618
 25 water-services have been lowered.

LEAKS.

221 leaks have been repaired in water-mains, fire-plugs, stop-valves, hydrants, &c.

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DRINKING-FOUNTAINS.

12 repaired.
6 painted.
2 erected.

MISCELLANEOUS.

2,800 tax-notices delivered.
960 houses examined.
170 outlets opened to clean pipes.

SUMMARY.

	Feet.
Mains laid	20,322½
Mains lowered	579

FIRE-PLUGS.

New ones erected	9
Repaired	72
Painted	259
Oiled	607
Lowered	4
Raised	2
Moved to new curb and reset	9
Opened to flush-pipes	350

STOP-VALVES.

New ones placed	56
New boxes set	57
Large boxes put in to replace old ones	19

HYDRANTS.

Erected	4
New ones put in to replace old ones	31
Moved to new curb	19
Taken out	5
Taps made	583

WATER-SERVICES.

Lowered	25
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LEAKS.

Repaired	221
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DRINKING-FOUNTAINS.

Erected	9
Repaired	12
Painted	6

MISCELLANEOUS.

Tax-notices delivered	2,800
Houses examined	960
Outlets opened	170

WATER-SUPPLY.

Three great mains, 12, 30, and 36 inches in diameter, feed the two cities, Washington and Georgetown, with water. These mains are laid in Bridge street of the latter, and in Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, New Jersey avenues, and L street, N. W., of the former city. From these three mains diverge smaller ones, mostly 4 and 6 inches in diameter, to the extent of 124 miles, or 654,720 linear feet. Add to this the length of the larger mains, and the total length of water-mains in the District of Columbia is 141 miles, or 744,480 linear feet. Attached to these mains are 933 stop-valves, 626 fire-plugs, and 11,000 service-pipes to houses.

Eighteen million gallons of water daily is the estimated amount used and wasted, or about one hundred and thirty-eight gallons to each person in the District. But it is safe to assume that one-quarter of this is wasted. This loss, of nearly one-quarter of our supply, or four and a half million gallons every twenty-four hours, arises from the extravagant use and abuse of water in nearly all parts of the city, in private houses, in the Departments of the General Government, hotels, restaurants, &c. In these latter places, by constant vigilance and inspection, we prevent, to a certain extent, the waste of water. Over the Departments of the General Government we have no control, and in nearly all of which water is allowed to run without intermission from hundreds of closets, spigots, and fountains; it is here and in private houses that the great waste takes place. Over private houses we have the right of inspection

at all times; but in no city have the officers of the water department been less inquisitorial in examining private residences, or allowed a more liberal construction of the law governing the use of water for the benefit of the citizen. This leniency, I am sorry to say, is abused, and the careful use of water in private houses is at the present time the exception and not the rule. The growing shortness of our supply, the daily complaints from those who live on the high grounds of the city, demand a remedy by the adoption of a positive policy, and the enforcement of the law against persons and property who willfully waste Potomac water.

While these remarks are true so far as relates to the waste of water, there are other causes that operate against all parts of the District having an equal supply. I mean the system adopted of laying so many small mains; or, in other words, with the increased consumption of water there has not been a corresponding increase in the capacity of the mains.

The addition of six lateral mains, running east and west, to be laid on certain streets between Rock Creek and Seventh street east, 12 inches in diameter, together with the extension of the 36-inch main from the corner of L street and New Jersey avenue (where it now terminates) along New Jersey avenue, and thence along Massachusetts avenue to Seventh street east, in addition to the 12-inch main now nearly completed along V and Boundary streets, much would be done toward giving us a perfect system of water-mains and restore the head to the same condition that it was when the water was first introduced.

I estimate the cost of these additional mains and extensions at \$150,000. There should also be adopted some other system than the one now in use to meet the growing demand for supply-mains. There are on file in this office numerous petitions from citizens who need water on certain streets; these cannot be granted because the revenues of the department at present are not sufficient to cover the expenditures necessary.

The law of 1873 authorized the funding into water-fund certificates of all unpaid assessments for the laying of water-mains, but the recent law of Congress prevented this being done, on the ground that the issue of these certificates would increase the indebtedness of the District, and thus the reasonable demands of citizens for a supply of water for the protection of life and property, as well as for the ordinary comforts of life, must be deferred till the revenues of the Department will warrant the outlay, or till some other ways and means are adopted.

The annexed statements show receipts, expenditures, property received and expended, taxes due and to become due, together with tables showing elevations, pressure on the pipes at various points of the city, together with classification of water-takers, &c.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

TIMOTHY LUBEY,
Water-Registrar.

Lieut. R. L. HOXIE, U. S. A.,
Engineer, District of Columbia.

Statement showing amount of moneys received from all sources by the water-registrar, and how disposed, from June 20 to November 21, inclusive, 1874.

Cash on hand	\$3,808 14	Deposited with sinking-fund	
Water-tax	20,083 42	commissioners	\$4,616 71
Water-rent	2,065 93	Deposited with treasurer Dis-	
Water-taps	1,209 00	trict of Columbia	22,787 77
Water-permits	497 05	Cash on hand	259 06
	27,663 54		27,663 54

WATER-FUND.

Expenditures.

Laborers' rolls from July 1 to October 31, 1874	\$13,632 15
Office-rolls from July 1 to October 31, 1874	2,321 39
Material	1,536 73
Freight	882 13
Coal for high service-pump, Georgetown	596 50
	18,968 90

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Property-return of the water department from June 20 to November 20, inclusive, 1874.

Description of property.	On hand June 20, 1874.	Received since June 20,	Total to be accounted for.	Expended as per report.	Remaining on hand.
Fire-plugs:					
2-way, Wood's	1		1		1 ✓
4-way, McClelland's		16	16	16	
Castings	9		9	2	7 ✓
Bottoms	8		8	8	
Stop-valves:					
Iron-pipe, 3-inch	11		11		11 ✓
Iron-pipe, 1-inch	4		4	1	3 ✓
4-inch, screws	12		12		12 ✓
6-inch, 2-way	26	10	36	36	
6-inch, 4-way	4	8	12	10	2 ✓
12-inch, 2-way	2		2	2	
Sleeves, cast-iron:					
4-inch	34		34	5	29 ✓
6-inch	84		84	15	69 ✓
12-inch	16		16	1	15 ✓
Patent	25		25		25 ✓
Stop-valve boxes:					
Wooden, large	5		5	3	2 ✓
Iron, large	70	35	105	105	
Iron, small	32	33	70	48	22 ✓
Dale's patent stop-covers	308		308	70	238 ✓
Stop-valve tops	4		4	4	
Bends:					
4-inch, 1/2	20		20	20	
6-inch, 1/2	11	10	21	2	19 ✓
6-inch, 3/4	30		30	21	9 ✓
12-inch		4	4	3	1 ✓
Pipe:					
Lead, 4-inch linear feet		78	78	78	
Galvanized, 3-inch do	2,100		2,100	600	1,500 ✓
Galvanized, 1-inch do	400		400		400 ✓
Black, 1 1/2-inch do	600		600		600 ✓
Black, 2-inch do	200		200		200 ✓
Wrought, 2-inch do	200		200		200 ✓
Cast-iron, 2-inch do		1,013	1,013		1,013 ✓
Cast-iron, 4-inch do	126	4,020	4,146	3,174	972 ✓
Cast-iron, 6-inch do	2,212	6,024	8,236	7,936	300 ✓
Cast-iron, 10-inch do	75		75		75 ✓
Cast-iron, 12-inch do	13,100		13,100	11,468	1,632 ✓
Taps:					
8-inch	141	300	441	359	82 ✓
2-inch	19	24	43	21	22 ✓
1-inch	23	24	47	27	20 ✓
Branches:					
4-inch, 3-way	12		12		12 ✓
4-inch, 4-way	6		6	4	2 ✓
12-inch, 4-way	51	10	61	34	27 ✓
Plugs:					
Brass, 8-inch	18		18	18	
Brass, 4-inch	2		2	2	
Brass, 1-inch	2		2	2	
Wooden	400		400	200	200 ✓
Hammers:					
Calking	5		5		5 ✓
Paving	2		2		2 ✓
Chisels:					
Calking	40		40		40 ✓
Flat	7		7		7 ✓
Paint-brushes:					
Large		2	2		2 ✓
Small		2	2		2 ✓
Packing:					
Hemp	100	1,243	1,343	1,343	
Gum	2	50	52	52	
Lumber:					
New					
Old		1,200	1,200	1,200	
Hose:					
4-inch do	25		25		25 ✓
2 inches do	25		25		25 ✓
3 inches do	25		25		25 ✓
Meters:					
New	6		6		6 ✓
Condemned	6		6		6 ✓
Fire-clay barrels	1		1	1	

Property-return of the water department, &c.—Continued.

Description of property.	On hand June 20, 1874.	Received since June 20, 1874.	Total to be accounted for.	Expended as per report.	Remaining on hand.
Cement barrels	1½	6	7½	5	2½
Linsced-oil gallons	3		3	3	
Coal-oil do.	15		15	15	
Sperm-oil do.	3		3	3	
Turpentine do.	1		1	1	
Tallow pounds	168		168	118	50
Lead do.	910	19,208	20,118	20,118	
Rope do.		1,200	1,200	960	240
Fittings do.		100	100	80	20
Solder do.		50	50	50	
Solder-nipples do.		24	24	24	
Mixed paints do.		100	100	100	
Cotton-waste do.		50	50		
Coal tons		85		65	
Drinking-hydrants		24	24	18	6
Hydrant-handles		29	29		29
Cement-troughs	1		1		7
Wheelbarrows	7		7		
Lanterns	13		13		13
Oil-cans	3		3		3
Handsaws		1	1		1
Extension-tongs	1		1		1
Monkey-wrenches	4		4		4
Stoves	1		1		1
Tapping-machines	3		3		3
Wagons	4		4		4
Horses	2		2		2
Harness	2		2		2
Stock and dies	1		1		1
Pipe-cutter	1		1		1
Fire-pots	4		4		4
Water-gauges	4		4		4
Plumber's pumps	1		1		1
Plumber's furnaces		5	5		5
Plumber's tools	2		2		2
Ratchets	1		1		1
Iron posts	14		14	12	2
Keys, (large and small)	12	2	14		14
Pick-handles	5	37	42		42
Picks and handles	52		52		52
Shovels	52	24	76		76
Street-washers	37		37	3	34
Reducers, 4 by 6	17		17	5	12
Grindstones	1		1		1
Ladles		3	3		3

ELEVATIONS.

Washington Aqueduct.

Locality.	Feet above mean tide.
Crest of dam Great Falls.....	148
Surface of water at receiving-reservoir.....	144
Surface of water at distributing-reservoir.....	144
Curb under Senate steps.....	155.75
Coping on southeast abutment bridge No. 6, (Rock Creek).....	49.24
Cover of stop-cock vault, corner B street and New Jersey avenue.....	48.60
On cover of eel-trap, navy-yard gate.....	41.05
Coping foundry branch vault.....	38.44
On top of pipe, lower end of navy-yard.....	1.37
Top of 6-inch blow-off at navy-yard dock, (datum).....	0.00
Bottom of door of high-service reservoir, Georgetown.....	228.32
Surface of water at high-service reservoir, Georgetown.....	210.00

Table showing pressure of Potomac water at various points in the city of Washington.

Pressure taken at—	Elevations above high tide.	Pressure to the square inch November 9, 1874, between hours of 9 o'clock a. m. and 2 p. m.	Pressure to the square inch November 9, 1874, between hours of 4 and 8 p. m.
	<i>Feet.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>
Northwest corner Pennsylvania avenue and Fifteenth street, northwest.....	49.20	17	23
Northeast corner Pennsylvania avenue and Twenty-sixth street, northwest.....	50.52	33	35
Northeast corner Twenty-first and N streets, northwest ..	69.03	22	25
Northeast corner Fourteenth and N streets, northwest.....	90.00	10	13
Southwest corner Eleventh and Q streets, northwest.....	95.43	7	10
Northeast corner Ninth and M streets, northwest.....	81.53	15	18
Northwest corner Third street and Pennsylvania avenue, northwest.....	9.74	28	35
Northwest corner Third and P streets, northwest.....	70.00	15	20
Northwest corner Fourteenth and E streets, southeast ..	69.60	11	13
Northeast corner First street and Pennsylvania avenue, southeast ..	85.07	10	12
Northeast corner Ninth and M streets, southeast..	44.75	21	25
Northeast corner Ninth and E streets, southeast..	71.50	10	12
Northeast corner Four-and-a-half and M streets, southwest ..	19.81	25	27
Southeast corner Eleventh street and Maryland avenue, southwest.....	35.94	15	18

Classification of water-takers.

9,337 private dwellings.
 510 stores.
 357 private stables.
 181 restaurants.
 165 offices.

108 street-washers.
 77 steam-engines.
 74 water-closets.
 46 boarding-houses.
 45 barber-shops.

44 bakeries.	2 express-stables.
44 fountains.	2 brick-yards.
30 shops.	2 gas-holders.
29 livery-stables.	2 oepots.
23 halls.	2 founderies.
21 hotels.	2 billiard-saloons.
20 wash-basins.	2 bath-houses.
19 photograph-galleries.	2 lumber-yards.
11 breweries.	2 bottling-establishments.
9 banks.	1 slaughter-house.
9 printing-offices.	1 gas-office.
9 green-houses.	1 gas-tester.
9 dye-houses.	1 horse-bazaar.
8 laundries.	1 gymnasium.
8 blacksmith-shops.	1 boat-house.
6 school-houses.	1 club-house.
6 water-engines.	1 drovers' rest.
5 railroad-stables.	1 pottery.
4 factories.	1 armory.
3 theaters.	1 stone-yard.
3 warehouses.	1 oyster-packing establishment.
3 coach-factories.	1 fish-wharf.
3 markets.	1 bank-note company.

APPENDIX A j.

Report of the surveyor.

SURVEYOR'S OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, D. C., November 18, 1874.

SIR: I have the honor to lay before you a report of the current business of this office (city and county surveys excluded) performed by me, the duties of which were placed under my jurisdiction by the late board of public works and continued by the authority of the Hon. District commission, through its executive, since July, inclusive of the present year.

The following is a summary of the duties performed:

REPORTS.

Under this head there was furnished to the executive officer the following reports:

1st. Upon his official request a statement showing the practice pursued in all its details in preparing "special assessments under the late board of public works."

2d. A tabular statement of all special assessments made up from the date as shown in the last annual report of the late board of public works to, and including, the last assessments made by said board.

3d. A schedule report of streets in the District of Columbia, improved and unimproved, and not assessed, and their condition as regards material not laid, of whatever name or nature.

4th. A statement of all property owned by the District, lying in Georgetown, D. C., with names of lessees, and account of rents due and unpaid from 1860 to the present time, the same being wharf-property and other real estate.

5th. A statement of all the church-property, together with maps showing the dimensions of lots with their areas, covering over 80 pages of maps, &c.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS.

So far as regards assessments to be made, the board of audit, through the executive of the District, has furnished this office with the expenditures of twenty-nine streets. Of this number the following three streets have been assessed and the assessments forwarded to the executive office for transmission to the deputy comptroller for collection, viz:

C street north, from Second street to Four-and-a-half street west.

Riggs street north, from Thirteenth street to Fourteenth street west.

I street north, from Thirteenth street to Fifteenth street west.

The sum total of the above streets assessed and reported for collection amounts to \$21,757.36. Of the balance ten have been suspended on account of the streets being in an unfinished state, of which you were by letter officially notified in each case. The remainder are waiting for drawbacks, &c., to be furnished. Of these last, with the exception of seventeen, the property-holders' names have been traced out from the books in the office of the superintendent of taxes and from deeds, and the assessment-sheets made out and maps of the streets prepared in connection with the assessments of all the streets reported.

Beyond this this office has been called upon by the board of audit to furnish from time to time such information as they desired, while information is almost daily called for officially on matters that can only be obtained through the medium of the records of this office, and as frequently by citizens of the District, for statements from old assessments and measurement books, for carriage-way, sidewalks, &c., appertaining to improvements in the District previous to its re-organization in 1871, and all of which, while it occupies considerable time, is cheerfully furnished to property-holders and others in order that they may substantiate their claims for drawbacks before the board of audit or other officers for the adjustment of old claims.

Lines of streets and alleys have been established by this office throughout the District, and complete copies of the subdivisions furnished of squares for the use of the superintendent of taxes.

The district attorney has also to be furnished with maps and charts and other information to be used in suits pending against the District.

There have been over 2,700 pages of the early records of the District copied, and which will be required to be bound, as they are continually used in the district attorney's office.

The official correspondence with the District authorities since July past has been 139 letters written, of which 118 were to the executive office. In most cases these letters were transmitted with the papers that had been forwarded to this office for information on various subjects. During the same period 29 letters have been received and filed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. FORSYTH,
Surveyor District of Columbia.

Lieut. R. L. HOXIE, U. S. A.,
Executive Officer District of Columbia.

APPENDIX A k.

Report of the Parking-Commission.

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 25, 1874.

SIR: In answer to your letter of inquiry, we respectfully submit the following schedule of work performed by the advice and under the direction of the parking-commission since July 1, 1874, to November 15, 1874:

Number of holes properly prepared for trees.....	1, 125
Number of large trees removed.....	150

N. B.—The usual price for removing old trees from sidewalks is \$5 per tree.

Number of young seedling trees transplanted in nursery or reserve garden...	11, 800
Number of trees planted on sidewalks.....	504
Number of tree-boxes put in position.....	241

From July 1 to September 11, four men and two horses, with carts and drivers, were employed in watering the more recently-planted trees on the streets. During this time the other men employed were engaged in cleaning, cultivating, strapping, and pruning, repairing boxes, and other incidental operations that were indispensable to the proper preservation of the 15,000 planted in the streets, avenues, and parks.

Considerable time has been taken up in the inspection of parking, and repairing sunken and broken pavements. The time of two men and one horse has been required in cultivating and giving necessary attention to the young trees in the nurseries. This young stock still numbers about 75,000 plants, to which additions are being made from time to time; no expenses being incurred in the making of these additions, except the labor in propagating and transplanting.

Expenses incurred for above from July 1 to November 15.

During month of July	\$890 87
During month of August	679 00
During month of September.....	1, 130 57
During month of October	1, 347 23
From 1st to 15th of November.....	600 75
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Number of men employed, the nature of the work, and where executed, are detailed in the daily reports.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. R. SMITH.
JOHN SAUL.
WILLIAM SAUNDERS.

Lieutenant HOXIE, U. S. A., *Engineer-in-Chief of District of Columbia.*

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APPENDIX A I.—Synopsis of the morning report of the engineer of the commissioners of the District of Columbia.

NOVEMBER 30, 1874.

	Number of district.	Contracts in progress.	Contracts suspended.	Contracts canceled.
1 Report of overseer of.....	1	Nos. 723, 403, 721, 313, 787, 561		
2 ..do.....	2	No. 721.....		
3 ..do.....	3	No. 1058.....		
4 ..do.....	4	Nos. 20, (extended,) 760.....		
5 ..do.....	5	Nos. 808, 30, (extended).....		
6 ..do.....	6	Nos. 871, 788, 770.....		
7 ..do.....	7	Nos. 833, 1072, 413, 843, 264, 833		
8 ..do.....	8	No. 826.....		
9 ..do.....	9	Nos. 811, 415, 734, 243, 988, 863		
10 Report of overseer of repairs done under contract.				
Mr. Stevenson.....		No. 836.....		
Mr. Clarke.....		Nos. 1098, 1028.....		
Mr. Winslow.....		Nos. 831, 832.....		
Mr. Putney.....		No. 1012.....		
Mr. Bailey, overseer of gas, report for November.				
Number of permits and amounts deposited.				
Permits issued prior to date.		Permits issued.		Total issued.
No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No. Amount.
11 Permits:				
Water.....	431 \$6,625 00	2 \$50 00	433 \$6,675 00	
Sewer.....	398 8,925 00	2 50 00	400 8,975 00	
Gas.....	224 1,118 00	3 3 00	227 1,121 00	
Building.....	322	3	325	
Miscellaneous.....	74 1,550 00	1 25 00	75 1,575 00	
Total.....	1,449 18,218 00	11 128 00	1,460 18,346 00	
Cost prior to date.		Cost.		Total.
12 Employés, \$3,863.55 + \$31,123.15.....	\$34,986 70	*\$311 43	\$35,298 13	
13 Repairs.....	6,943 04	*17 00	6,960 04	
14 Engineer's measurements, increment over last board measurements, inclusive of work done under the board.	1,049,801 65	*89,473 73	1,139,275 38	
15 Parking commission.....	5,063 17	*50 00	5,113 17	
16 Water force.....	16,013 36	*263 25	16,276 61	
Cleaning sewers, traps, &c.....	3,067 95		3,067 95	
Cleaning alleys.....	9,468 30	†2,491 66	11,959 96	
Miscellaneous office expenses.....	1,718 01		1,718 01	
Sweeping streets, (3.65 bonds).....	34,041 43	*65 32	34,106 75	
Gas-bills.....	46,721 75	†10,567 66	57,289 41	
Sweeping streets, November..... feet.	1,229,173	11,600	1,231,773	

*Reported daily.

† Reported monthly.

Morning report of the engineer of the commissioners of the District of Columbia.

No. 12.—EMPLOYEES.

	On duty.	Absent.		Rate.	Cost.	Cost prior to date.	Total.
		With leave.	Without leave.				
ENGINEER'S OFFICE.							
2 assistant engineers.....	2				\$11 54	\$1,188 62	\$1,200 16
8 levelers.....	8				40 71	4,023 84	4,064 55
6 rodmen.....	6				15 20	1,500 60	1,515 80
6 axmen.....	6				12 00	1,312 00	1,324 00
5 draughtsmen.....	5				16 80	1,522 40	1,539 20
14 overseers.....	14				55 02	5,719 06	5,774 08
1 chief clerk.....	1				5 64	560 92	586 56
4 first-class clerks.....	4				19 50	2,002 50	2,028 00
10 second-class clerks.....	10				33 35	2,947 96	2,981 31
4 clerks of property-yards.....	4				12 14	1,250 42	1,262 56
2 laborers of property-yards.....	2				3 00	309 00	312 00
3 messengers.....	3				4 62	475 86	480 48
1 driver.....	1				1 85	190 55	192 40
PUBLIC BUILDINGS.							
2 laborers in care of building, captain of watch, and janitor.....	2				4 62	475 86	480 48
7 laborers.....	7				11 86	1,132 26	1,144 12
1 building clerk.....	1				6 73	618 31	625 04
MARKETS.							
5 market-masters.....	5				7 43	751 21	758 64
4 laborers in care of markets.....	4				6 00	889 04	895 04
4 horses and carts.....	4				3 08	269 72	272 80
3 night-watchmen.....	3				4 50	265 50	270 00
GAS.							
1 overseer of gas-lamps, &c.....	1				3 08	317 24	320 32
4 laborers of gas-lamps, &c.*.....	4				6 00	618 00	624 00
SURVEYOR'S OFFICE.							
5 surveyor's clerks.....	5				19 55	2,087 25	2,106 80
1 surveyor's draughtsman.....	1				3 20	256 00	259 20
1 rodman.....	1				2 00	206 00	208 00
1 messenger.....	1				2 01	207 03	209 04
Total.....					311 43	31,123 15	
Amount from August 1, 1874.....							31,434 58
Amount of July pay-roll.....							3,863 55
Grand total.....							35,298 13

* Lamp-lighters in Georgetown.

† Employed in making up assessments and examining records for District government.

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Morning report of overseer in charge of cleaning and repairs of sewers and drains and streets and alleys of the District of Columbia, November 30, 1874.

Contract or day's work.	Street.	Nature of work in progress.	Between what limits.	Force employed.										Remarks.
				Masons.	Rate.	Laborers.	Rate.	Carts.	Rate.	Blocker.	Rate.	Pavers.	Rate.	
Contract-work.	City	Sweeping streets and avenues.	Mass. av. from 20th st. to N. W. av. 3,350 feet, and from bridge to 3d st., 2,050 feet.											ft. 1,241, 773
Do	do	Cleaning alleys.	Washington and Georgetown.											ft. 21, 000
Contractor's work.	County	Grading and paving cobble.	Uniontown, Jefferson st.											\$9, 468 30
Day's work.	O street	Changing grade of intersection.	8th and O sts., N. W.		3	\$1 50	1	\$2 50	1	\$3				\$2, 401 66
Do	Twenty-sixth st.	Repairing wood pavement.	26th st., between K. and L, N. W.		3	1 50	1	2 50	1	3				10 00
Do	Columbia	Repairing brick sidewalks.	Columbia, 8th, between L and M and 10th and K.		1	1 50	1	2 50	1	83				10 00
Do	City	Inspecting sewers.												7 00
		Cleaning traps, sewers, &c.		1	\$3	4	1 50							96 50
														Under the direction of Mr. Stevenson.
														1, 320 50

CHAS. W. CUNNINGHAM.

APPENDIX A m.

WATER-REGISTRAR'S OFFICE, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, November 23, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to inclose herewith estimates called for in your letter of the 19th instant, addressed to this office.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

TIMOTHY LUBEY,
Water-Registrar.

Hon. COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Estimate of contingent expenses.

From December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875 :

Water-mains	\$21,000
Fire-plugs	4,800
Stop-valves and boxes	3,500
Labor in laying mains, erecting fire-plugs, valves, &c.	7,500
Repairs of mains, fire-plugs, valves, hydrants, boxes, &c.	2,500
Inspection of mains, water-fixtures, &c.	1,000
Brass taps	1,200
Labor in tapping pipes, &c.	600
Lead, gasket, oil, &c.	1,000
Coal for high-service pump	1,250
Tools, and repair of same	600
Drinking-hydrants	400
Small pipe, fittings, &c.	450
Advertising, stationery, printing, &c.	1,000
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	46,800

From July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876 :

* Water-mains	\$40,000
Fire-plugs	9,600
Stop-valves and boxes	6,000
Labor in laying mains, erecting fire-plugs, valves, &c.	15,000
Repairs of mains, fire-plugs, valves, hydrants, &c.	6,000
Inspection of mains, water-fixtures, houses, &c.	2,500
Brass taps	3,200
Labor in tapping pipes	1,200
Lead, gasket, oil, &c.	2,500
Coal for high-service pump	2,100
Tools, and repair of same	1,200
Drinking-hydrants	1,000
Small pipe, fittings, &c.	700
Advertising, stationery, printing, &c.	3,000
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	94,000

Estimate from December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875	\$46,800
Estimate from July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876	94,000
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Total 140,800

TIMOTHY LUBEY,
Water-Registrar.

* This is for small mains, 4 and 6 inch, but it will be necessary during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1876, to lay at least 10,000 feet of 12-inch main with necessary attachments, costing at least \$100,000, and as the revenue from water rents and taxes will not be sufficient to meet this large expenditure, other provisions should be made for it.

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Estimate of salaries from December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875.

No.	itle.	Rate per year.	Time.	Amount.
1	Water-registrar.....	\$3, 000, less 20 per cent., \$2, 400	7 months	\$1, 400 00
1	Clerk	1, 800, less 20 per cent., 1, 440	7 months	840 00
1	Clerk	1, 500, less 20 per cent., 1, 200	7 months	700 00
1	Clerk	1, 404, less 20 per cent., 1, 123	7 months	655 08
1	Clerk	1, 200, less 20 per cent., 960	7 months	560 00
	Total.....			4, 155 68

Estimate of salaries from July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876.

No.	Title.	Rate per year.	Time.	Amount.
1	Water-registrar.....	\$3, 000, less 20 per cent., \$2, 400	1 year	\$2, 400
1	Clerk	1, 800, less 20 per cent., 1, 440	1 year	1, 440
1	Clerk	1, 500, less 20 per cent., 1, 200	1 year	1, 200
1	Clerk	1, 404, less 20 per cent., 1, 123	1 year	1, 123
1	Clerk	1, 200, less 20 per cent., 960	1 year	960
	Total			7, 123

Estimate from December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875..... \$4, 155 08

Estimate from July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876..... 7, 123 00

Total..... 11, 278 08

TIMOTHY LUBEY,
Water-Registrar.*Estimated receipts.*

From December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875 :

Water-rents.....	\$50,000 00
Water-taxes.....	20,000 00
Water-taps.....	1,600 00
Water-permits.....	500 00
	72,100 00

From July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876 :

Water-rents.....	\$70,000 00
Water-taxes.....	30,000 00
Water-taps.....	6,000 00
Water-permits.....	1,200 00
	107,200 00

December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875..... \$72,100 00

July 1, 1875, to June 30, 1876..... 107,200 00

Total..... 179,300 00

TIMOTHY LUBEY,
Water-Registrar.

APPENDIX A m.

EXPLANATION OF TABULAR STATEMENT OF CONTRACTS.

Measurements upon contract-work are classified, for the purpose of facilitating assessments, into surface-work, sewers, and special bills.

Upon each street, avenue, or alley, these measurements are made up separately. Each partial measurement, made as the work progressed, is total up to date, including each its predecessor, and the final measurement upon the contract consists of a set of final measurements made up separately upon each street and in separate bills for the three classes of work.

Under the late board of public works, measurements were sometimes made upon incomplete work and marked "final to date," necessitating another final measurement upon the same street in case the work was resumed. The special bills were for extra work not included in contracts, but belonging to the contingencies of the contract-work.

Measurements were completed and settlements made in the auditor's office, and it was customary in the case of partial measurements to reserve a certain percentage in final measurements to pay in full except certain reservation upon particular kinds of work.

I have considered it my duty to re-examine all measurements upon contracts incomplete and on which a balance was still due the contractor, whenever—the work being resumed under me or brought up in any way for consideration—I had any reason whatever to question the accuracy of these measurements.

Unless such reason has appeared, or it has seemed to me that the terms of the contract required something further, I have confined my measurements to the streets upon which final measurement had not yet been given, or upon which a measurement marked "final to date" was in reality but a partial measurement. In these cases my measurement, being total to date, includes and embraces all previous partial measurements, whether marked "partial" or "final to date," upon each street considered.

With the data at my disposal it is not practicable to complete an exhibit of the total expenditure upon each contract. The "last measurement" of the table is the total of work measured under my own direction.

These estimates include each a percentage for probable sources of expenditure incidental to contract-work.

Tabular statement

Date.	Number.	Name of contractor.	Character and locality of improvement.
Sept. 18, 1871	20	Patrick Cullinane...	Set curbs and lay brick foot-pavements on Four-and-a-half street west, between Maine avenue and arsenal gate.
July 1, 1872	.....	Extension	Grade and macadamize Four-and-a-half street west, between Missouri avenue and arsenal gate.
Apr. 23, 1873	.....	Extension	Park and lay brick pavement on Four-and-a-half street west, between Missouri avenue and Maine avenue.
Oct. 2, 1874	.....	Extension: J. G. Stafford.	Canceled, February 12, 1874. Relay McAdam pavement on Four-and-a-half street west, between Maine avenue and arsenal gate.
Sept. 18, 1871	21	R. S. Hulse.....	Set curbs and lay brick pavements on H street north, between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets west.
Nov. 23, 1871	.....	Extension	Set curbs and lay brick pavements on H street north, between Eighteenth and Twenty-fourth streets west.
July 28, 1873	.....	Extension	Lay cobble-stone pavements on H street north, between Twenty-second and Twenty-fifth streets.
Nov. 2, 1871	167	Thomas Betts.....	Grade G street north, between Maryland avenue and Sixth street east.
Apr. 24, 1872	243	Daniel A. Connolly.	Grade Massachusetts avenue, from New Jersey avenue to Lincoln square.
Apr. 29, 1872	264	E. E. Barnes	Grade D street south, from New Jersey avenue to Fourth street east; grade North Carolina avenue, from New Jersey avenue to Fourth street east; construct an 18-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, from the corner of Second and D streets southeast, through Government reservation, to main sewer on D street south.
May 21, 1873	.....	Extension	Grade E street southeast, between Second and Sixth streets east; set curbs and lay brick pavements on North Carolina avenue, between New Jersey avenue and Fourth street east; gravel the carriage-way of North Carolina avenue, between New Jersey avenue and Pennsylvania avenue; set curbs and lay brick pavement on D street south, between New Jersey avenue and Sixth street east; terrace D street south, between Second and Fourth streets east; gravel the carriage-way of D street south, between Sixth and Seventh streets east.
May 28, 1872	313	R. S. Hulse.....	Grade N street north, between Twenty-first and Twenty-fifth streets west; grade O street north, from New Hampshire avenue to Rock Creek. Canceled, December 13, 1873, so far as relates to O street north.
Oct. 22, 1874	.....	Extension: M. J. Laughlin.	Grade N street north, between Twenty-first and Twenty-fifth streets west.
July 16, 1872	403	Hugh Murray.....	Grade, set curbs, lay brick and cobble-stone pavement, on Twenty-third street west, between Pennsylvania avenue and E street north; construct sewer laterals for alley, and corner drops, on Twenty-third street west, between Pennsylvania avenue and G street north; grade, set curbs, lay brick and cobble-stone pavement, on Twenty-fourth street west, between Pennsylvania avenue and E street north; grade New Hampshire avenue, between Pennsylvania avenue and the river.
July 23, 1872	413	E. E. Barnes.....	Grade, set curbs, and lay brick pavement on Second street east, between Maryland and Pennsylvania avenues; grade, set curbs, on Second street east, from D street south to Virginia avenue; construct a 15-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, on the east side of Second street east, between Pennsylvania avenue and East Capitol street; grade, set curbs, and lay brick pavements on Third street east, between Maryland and Virginia avenues; grade and set curbs on Fourth street east, between Maryland and Pennsylvania avenues.

of contracts.

Complete or incomplete.	Last measurement by the commissioners.			Estimated cost of completion.	Remarks.
	Work done by board of public works.	Work done by commissioners.	Total.		
Incomplete ..				\$48,927 74	{ Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up, July 27, 1874, by protest of property-holders against assessment for this work. Work condemned, and contract made with John G. Stafford, after advertisement under fifth section of original contract, to relay the McAdam. The prosecution of this work has revealed a much worse condition than had been anticipated.
Incomplete ..	\$16,203 17		\$16,203 17	14,107 56	{ Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up, September 17, 1874, by application of contractor to resume work. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..					All embankment to be paid for in excavation of other streets. Not at work, July 9, 1874. Brought up, July 15, 1874, by application of citizens for improvement. Order of suspension revoked. Directed to apply for a final measurement.
Incomplete ..				8,887 02	Grading required in addition to award of arbitrators. At work, July 9, 1874. Suspended, by order of the commissioners District Columbia, July 18, 1874. Work resumed; order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	12,860 40	\$8,330 99	21,191 39	84,617 43	{ At work July 9, 1874. Suspended, by order of the commissioners District Columbia, July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..				26,482 49	{ Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of contractor to resume work. Extension of contract made with M. J. Laughlin, for the completion of the work, under section five of the original contract. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	15,133 27	1,920 46	17,053 73	25,752 91	Not at work, July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of citizens for improvement. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	18,699 30		18,699 30	39,826 42	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of citizens for improvement. Order of suspension revoked.

Tubular statement of

Date.	Number.	Name of contractor.	Character and locality of improvements.
May 24, 1872	415	Peter McNamara ...	Grade C street north, from Fourth to Fifteenth streets east; grade D street north, from Fourth to Fifteenth streets east.
July 12, 1872	447	Daniel A. Connolly .	Grade Third street east, from Maryland avenue to H street north.
Oct. 8, 1872	561	John J. Shipman	Clean gutters, grading required trimming, construct stone and pipe culverts, repair culverts, and macadamize canal road between Aqueduct and Chain Bridges.
Dec. 20, 1872	634	David Keppel	Grade, set curbs, lay brick pavements, and construct 15-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps on Prospect street, between Potomac and High streets, Georgetown; relay brick pavement and lay cobble-stone pavement on Prospect street, between High and Market streets, Georgetown.
Mar. 10, 1874	1031	Dennis O'Neal & Co.	Cleaning alleys in the cities of Washington and Georgetown, D. C.
May 22, 1873	694	John O. Evans	Set curbs, lay flag footways, and Belgian trap-rock pavement on B street north, between Twelfth and Seventeenth streets west; set curbs, lay flag footways, and Belgian trap-rock pavement on Twelfth street west, between B street north and B street south; set curbs, lay flag footways and Belgian trap-rock pavement on Fourteenth street west, between B street north and B street south; lay flag footways on Seventh street west, between B street north and B street south.
July 19, 1873	702	Tompkins & Ruckel.	Construct a three-ring brick barrel-sewer, six feet inside diameter, beginning at east building-line of Third and F streets northeast, and running across squares 778, 810, and 834 to the intersection of the west building-line of Sixth street northeast, and center line of G street northeast; construct a two-ring brick barrel-sewer, six feet inside diameter, on G street north, from Sixth to Ninth streets east; construct a two-ring brick barrel-sewer, four feet inside diameter, on G street north, from Ninth to Tenth streets east.
June 16, 1873	723	David Roche	Grade Q street north, from Sixteenth street west to Boundary; grade and lay cobble-stone pavement in alley, square 140.
June 25, 1873	727	Thomas Betts	Grade E street north, between Maryland avenue and Seventh street east.
Sept. 1, 1873	.....	Extens'oa	Grade and gravel E street north, from Maryland avenue to Second street east; set curbs, lay brick pavements on D street north, between Maryland avenue and Third street east; set curbs and lay brick pavements on E street north, between Maryland avenue and Second street east.
July 15, 1873	749	B. W. Summy	Grade and gravel Fourteenth-street road from Boundary street to Columbia road; remove the 24-inch pipe-culvert at the intersection of Fourteenth-street road with Chapin and Stoughton streets; construct a 24-inch pipe-culvert on Fourteenth-street road, near the intersection of Columbia street; construct an 18-inch pipe-culvert on Fourteenth-street road, near Rock-Creek church road; grade, lay cobblestone in gutters, set curbs, and lay brick pavement on west side of Fourteenth-street road, between Boundary street and Linn-hill road; lay Macadam pavement and underdrain Fourteenth-street road, from Boundary street to College Hill.

contracts—Continued.

Complete or incomplete.	Last measurement by the commissioners.			Estimated cost of completion.	Remarks.
	Work done by board of public works.	Work done by commissioners.	Total.		
Incomplete	.....	.....	.....	\$113,178 96	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of contractor to resume work, and petition of citizens for improvement. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete	\$4,551 52	.....	\$4,551 52	.....	Balance of grading being all embankment; will be paid for in excavation of other streets. Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of citizens for improvements. Order of suspension revoked. Work finished up under the commissioners; practically completed under board of public works.
Incomplete	19,480 80	.....	19,480 80	83,966 20	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of contractor to resume work, and petition of citizens for improvement. Order of suspension revoked.
Complete	11,157 11	.....	11,157 11	.....	Work finished up under the commissioners; practically completed under the board of public works.
Incomplete	.....	.....	.....	.....	At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of the commissioners District of Columbia, July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked; contract expires March 10, 1875; taken up as current expenses on morning report.
Complete	247,931 30	\$57,354 80	305,286 10	.....	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of contractor to proceed with the work. Order of suspension revoked.
Complete	52,496 27	18,491 61	70,987 88	.....	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of contractor to proceed with the work, and petition of citizens for improvement. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete	4,345 00	4,301 71	8,646 71	6,158 83	At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of the commissioners District of Columbia, July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete	16,425 00	18,491 57	34,916 57	10,700 64	{ Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by petition of citizens for completion of work. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete	13,824 45	14,956 64	28,781 09	2,950 38	

Date.	Number.	Name of contractor.	Character and locality of improvement.
July 12, 1873	756	Z. Jones	Lay Taylor & Filbert treated wood pavement on New Jersey avenue, from D street north to New York ave.
Oct. 3, 1873	.....	Extension	Grade, set curbs, park, and lay wood pavement around reservation at intersection of Massachusetts and New Jersey avenues and G street north. (Canceled February 12, 1874.)
Nov. 4, 1873	.....	Extension	Lay Taylor & Filbert treated wood pavement on New Jersey avenue, from New York avenue to O st. north.
June 10, 1874	.....	Extension	Reset curbs, relay brick pavement, park, remove blue-rock pavement, and lay Taylor & Filbert treated wood pavement on Sixth street west, from F to G sts. north.
July 12, 1873	757	M. J. Langhlin	Grade Twenty-fifth street west, from E to K streets north, and park Twenty-first street west, from K to M streets north.
July 12, 1873	760	Thomas Joyce	Grade, reset curbs, relay brick pavements, and construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, on New Jersey avenue, from D street north to New York avenue; June 18, 1874, so much of contract as relates to grading and setting curbs between H and K streets, and laying sidewalks and putting sewers between H and I streets north, canceled; construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, on both sides of F street north, between First and Second streets west, to connect with sewer on First street west; construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, in alley in square 630; November 1, 1873, canceled so far as relates to alley in square 630.
July 18, 1873	766	C. H. Moulton	Construct a 24-inch brick barrel-sewer, 40 inches inside diameter, on New Hampshire avenue, from Seventeenth to T streets northwest, and an 18-inch pipe-sewer on south side of T street, from New Hampshire avenue to Sixteenth street west; grade, set curbs, relay brick pavements, and gravel carriage-way of T street north, from Fourteenth street to Boundary.
Oct. 17, 1873	.....	Extension	Construct a 15-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, on T street north, from Seventeenth to Eighteenth sts. west, and a 12-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, on T street north, from Eighteenth to Nineteenth sts. west.
July 17, 1873	768	George Simms	Grade, gravel, and lay cobblestone in gutters on College street west, from Sixth street west to Howard University grounds; construct a 12-inch pipe-culvert, 42 feet long, on College street, between Fourth-and-a-half and Sixth streets west.
July 17, 1873	770	John S. Baldwin	Lay the Taylor & Filbert wood pavement on Gay's street, between High and Washington streets, Georgetown; set curbs, lay brick pavements, water-services, and Taylor & Filbert wood pavement on Eighth street west, from O to Boundary street north; grade, set curbs, and lay Taylor & Filbert wood pavement on Rhode Island avenue, from Ninth to Fifteenth street west; lay the Taylor & Filbert wood pavement on Rhode Island avenue, from Seventh street west to Boundary.
Nov. 20, 1874	.....	Extension	Substitute gravel for wood pavement
July 19, 1873	775	Page & Fletcher	Lay the Flannigan wood pavement on B street south, from First street west to Maryland avenue; set curbs and lay Flannigan wood pavement on Third street west, from Maryland avenue to B street north; lay Flannigan wood pavement on Second street, between Maryland avenue and B street south; set curbs and lay Flannigan wood pavement on Maryland avenue, from First to Third streets west.
Dec. 20, 1873	.....	Extension	Set curbs on B street south, between Maryland avenue and First street west, and on Second street west, between Maryland avenue and B street south.
July 19, 1873	774	Samuel Strong	Construct a 3-ring brick barrel-sewer, 9 feet 9 inches inside diameter, on Boundary street, between Eleventh and Fifteenth streets east.
July 16, 1873	773	Page & Fletcher	Grade, set curbs, lay brick pavement, and lay Flannigan pavement on roadway of P street north, from New Jersey avenue to Eighteenth street west.
Feb. 17, 1874	Extension	Park and lay brick leads on P street north, from New Jersey avenue to Eighteenth street west.

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Complete or incomplete.	Last measurement by the commissioners.			Estimated cost of completion.	Remarks.
	Work done by board of public works.	Work done by commissioners.	Total.		
Complete	\$98,624 60	\$34,171 04	\$132,795 64	.....	{ At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of the commissioners of District of Columbia, July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	.....	.....	.....	\$31,449 15	
Incomplete ..	29,054 53	.....	29,054 53	16,899 56	{ At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of the commissioners of District of Columbia, July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked. Work completed to about one-half of this amount. Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to proceed with work. Order of suspension revoked. Several petitions of citizens for the completion of the improvements embraced in this contract have been received.
Incomplete ..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Incomplete ..	.....	.....	.....	9,063 16	{ Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by petition of citizens for improvement. Order of suspension revoked. Very little work done since allowed to proceed.
Incomplete ..	1,000 00	.....	1,000 00	2,747 78	
Incomplete ..	.....	.....	.....	17,455 20	{ Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of contractor to resume work. Order of suspension revoked. Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of contractor to resume work and petition of citizens for completion of improvement. Order of suspension revoked. Compromised. In the compromise the contractor consented to relinquish a large amount of wood pavement, which his contract called for, and gravel was substituted.
Complete	15,168 52	.....	15,168 52	.....
Complete	98,846 77	17,697 98	116,544 75	{ At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of the commissioners of the District of Columbia July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked. Work finished up under the commissioners of the District of Columbia; practically completed under the board of public works.
Complete	156,418 64	156,418 64	

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July 25, 1873	787	M. J. Laughlin.....	Lay brick pavement and park Twentieth street west, from Pennsylvania avenue to K street north; grade, set curbs, lay brick and cobblestone pavement on H street north, between Twenty-fifth street west and the river; grade F street north, from Virginia avenue to river.
July 25, 1873	788	James Reynolds	Lay brick pavements and park on the north side of Rhode Island avenue, from Seventh street west to New Jersey avenue; construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, on north side of Rhode Island avenue, from Sixth street west to Boundary.
July 25, 1873	792	Albert Gleason.....	Grade H street south, from Seventh to Tenth streets west, surplus earth to be deposited in the canal.
July 28, 1873	795	Frank H. Finley	Grade, reset curbs, relay brick pavement, park, lay flagging in gutters, and lay the blue-rock pavement on K street northwest, between Seventh and North Capitol streets; September 26, 1873, canceled so far as relates to the blue-rock pavement on K street northwest between Third and Seventh streets west; construct a 3-ring brick barrel-sewer, 3 feet 6 inches inside diameter, on the north side of K street north, between North Capitol and First street west; construct a 2-ring brick barrel-sewer, 3 feet inside diameter, on the north side of K street north, between First street west and New Jersey avenue; construct an 18-inch pipe-sewer on the north side of K street north, from First to Third streets west; construct an 18-inch pipe-sewer on the south side of K street north between North Capitol and Third streets west; construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer on both sides of K street north, between First and Seventh streets west.
Apr. 25, 1874	.....	Extension	Lay the Evans concrete pavement on entrances to alleys from building-line to curb on K street north, from Third to Seventh streets west.
July 28, 1873	798	J. V. W. Vandenburgh & Co.	Set curbs, lay brick pavements, water-services, and Abbot concrete pavement on G street north, between Fourteenth and Sixteenth streets west; construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer on north side of G street, from Fourteenth to Fifteenth streets west; construct a 15-inch pipe-sewer on north side of G street, from Fifteenth to Sixteenth streets west; construct an 18-inch pipe-sewer on north side of G street, from Sixteenth to Seventeenth streets west; construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer on south side of G street, from Fourteenth to Fifteenth streets west; construct a 15-inch pipe-sewer on south side of G street, from Fifteenth to Sixteenth streets west; construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer on south side of G street, from Sixteenth to Seventeenth streets west; all with man-holes and traps.
Aug. 1, 1873	808	Samuel Cook.....	Grade, set curbs, lay brick and cobblestone pavements on D street south, from Seventh to Fourteenth streets west; construct a 15-inch pipe-sewer on north side of D street south, between Seventh and Ninth streets west; construct a 15-inch pipe-sewer on north side of D street south, between Eleventh and Twelfth streets west; construct 15-inch pipe-sewers on both sides of D street south, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets west; all with man-holes and traps; complete the grading of Thirteenth street west, between Maryland avenue and B street south; complete the grading of Thirteen-and-a-half street west, between Maryland avenue and B street south; construct a 15-inch pipe-sewer on east side of Thirteen-and-a-half street west, between B and D streets south; construct an 18-inch pipe-sewer on east side of Thirteen-and-a-half street west, between D street and Maryland avenue; all with man-holes and traps; lay flag foot-ways at the intersection of Maryland avenue and D street south.
Aug. 1, 1873	809	James E. Gregg.....	Construct a 3-ring brick barrel-sewer, 10 feet inside diameter, over Spring Branch, from Fifteenth street east to the Eastern Branch.

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Complete or incomplete.	Last measurement by the commissioners.			Estimated cost of completion.	Remarks.
	Work done by board of public works.	Work done by commissioners.	Total.		
Incomplete ..	\$2,611 50	\$1,011 65	\$3,623 15	\$13,660 35	At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of the commissioners of the District of Columbia July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked. The portion referring to F street has been relinquished.
Incomplete ..	3,258 40	.....	3,258 40	600 00	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of the contractor to resume work. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	5,841 29	.....	5,841 29	27,483 04	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of the contractor to resume work. Order of suspension revoked.
Complete	57,553 86	6,549 67	64,103 53	.....	{ Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of the contractor to resume work. Order of suspension revoked.
Complete	29,580 44	.....	29,580 44	.....	At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of the commissioners of the District of Columbia July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked. Work finished under the commissioners—practically completed under the board of public works.
Incomplete ..	9,369 09	.....	9,369 09	23,643 24	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of the contractor to resume work, and petition of citizens for completion of the improvement. Order of suspension revoked. Work finished under the commissioners of the District of Columbia; practically completed under the board of public works.
Complete	59,970 01	59,570 01	At work July 9, 1874. Work finished up under the commissioners; practically completed under board of public works.

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Aug. 3, 1873	811	Campbell & Rothwell	Construct a 15-inch pipe-sewer on both sides of A street south, between Third and Sixth streets east; construct a 15-inch pipe-sewer on both sides of Seventh street east, from East Capitol street to North Carolina avenue; construct a 15-inch pipe-sewer on the west side of Seventh street east, from East Capitol street to A street north; construct a 30-inch pipe-sewer on the east side of Seventh street, from East Capitol street to A street north; construct a 15-inch pipe-sewer on the west side of Seventh street east, from A street north to Maryland avenue; construct a 2-ring brick barrel-sewer, 3 feet inside diameter, on the east side of Seventh street east, from A street north to Maryland avenue; construct a 15-inch pipe-sewer on the west side of Seventh street east, from Maryland avenue to G street north; construct a 3-ring brick barrel-sewer, 3 feet 6 inches inside diameter, on the east side of Seventh street east, from Maryland avenue to G street north; all with man-holes and traps.
Aug. 4, 1873	818	Joseph F. Hodgson, intendant Washington Asylum.	Grade Nineteenth street east, from Georgia avenue to East Capitol street.
Oct. 7, 1873	826	Stephen Talty	Grade, set curbs, lay brick pavements, and lay cobble-stone gutters, and gravel the carriage-way of M street north, from North Capitol street to the boundary, northeast.
July 21, 1873	831	William H. Adams .	Construct a 3-ring brick barrel-sewer, 9 feet inside diameter, from Third and P streets northwest, across square No. 553, to O street north; construct a 3-ring brick barrel-sewer, 9 feet inside diameter, on O street, from First street west to North Capitol street; construct a semi-circular arch, 10 feet radius, on stone invert, on O street, from First street west to North Capitol street; construct a 3-ring brick barrel-sewer, 9 feet inside diameter, on First street west, from O street to Boundary.
Aug. 1, 1873	832	Bartlett & Williams.	Modification of plan, by which cost is diminished.
Aug. 12, 1873	833	Dennis Nally	Construct a semicircular arch, on stone invert, on North Capitol street, between E and O streets north.
			Grade, set curbs, lay brick and bluestone pavements on Fourth street east, from North Carolina avenue to river; construct 12-inch pipe-sewers on both sides of Fourth street east, from North Carolina avenue to E street south; construct an 18-inch pipe-sewer on the west side of Fourth street east, from E street south to South Carolina avenue; construct a 15-inch pipe-sewer on both sides of Fourth street east, from South Carolina avenue to Virginia avenue; construct an 18-inch pipe-sewer on the west side of Fourth street east, from Virginia avenue to I street south; construct an 18-inch pipe-sewer on I street south, between Third and Fourth streets east, to connect with the Third street east sewer; construct an 18-inch pipe-sewer on South Carolina avenue, from Fourth to Fifth streets east; all with man-holes and traps.
Aug. 12, 1873	835	Owen O'Hare	Construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer in alley in square 312; construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer in alley in square 397; construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer in alley in square 398; construct a 15-inch pipe-sewer in alley in square 420; construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer in alley in square 421; construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer in alley in square 422; construct a 15-inch pipe-sewer in alley in square (east alley) 444, with 12-inch laterals in two cross alleys of said square; construct a 12-inch pipe in alley in square 445; construct a 12-inch pipe in alley in square (west alley) 446; construct a 12-inch pipe on P street north, from Sixth to Tenth streets west; construct a 15-inch pipe on P street north to a point opposite alley in square 397, from Ninth street west; construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer on O street, from Sixth street west to a point opposite alley in square 421; construct a 12-inch pipe-

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Complete or incomplete.	Last measurement by the commissioners.			Estimated cost of completion.	Remarks.
	Work done by board of public works.	Work done by commissioners.	Total.		
Incomplete ..	-----	-----	-----	\$16, 125 39	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to proceed with work and petition of citizens for completion of improvement. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	\$3, 600 00	-----	\$3, 600 00	25, 494 15	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to proceed with work and petition of citizens for improvement. Payments on account of this contract are accounted for by the intendant as receipts, and are applied to the maintenance of the asylum. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	4, 800 00	\$4, 988 80	9, 788 80	51, 800 10	At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of commissioners District of Columbia July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	109, 972 43	5, 472 00	115, 444 43	45, 234 32	At work July 9, 1874.
Incomplete ..	198, 584 61	43, 876 94	242, 461 55	149, 672 59	At work July 9, 1874.
Incomplete...	19, 615 97	-----	19, 615 97	98, 253 47	At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of commissioners District of Columbia, July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked.
Complete	-----	-----	5, 463 27	-----	At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of commissioners District of Columbia, July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked.

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			sewer on Q street, between Seventh and Eighth streets west; construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer on Seventh street, between N and O streets northwest; construct an 18-inch pipe-sewer on Ninth street, between Rhode Island avenue and Q street north; all with man-holes and traps.
Aug. 11, 1873	836	Gantz & Appleman	Construct a 3-ring brick barrel-sewer, six feet inside diameter, on Boundary street north, from Second to Eleventh streets east.
Aug. 15, 1873	.....	Extended	Grade Boundary street from Second to Eleventh streets northeast.
Aug. 12, 1873	841	Samuel C. Wroe	Erect iron posts, grade, set curbs, lay brick pavements, and park reservation at the intersection of D street south and Second and Third streets east; modified April 11, 1874, so as to substitute the sowing of grass-seed instead of sodding.
Aug. 12, 1873	843	Elias E. Barnes	Lay necessary water-services on Third street east, from D to E streets south; construct a 15-inch pipe-sewer on both sides of Third street east, from North Carolina avenue to South Carolina avenue; construct a 3-ring brick barrel-sewer, three feet inside diameter, on Third street east, from South Carolina avenue to I street south; construct a 3-ring brick barrel-sewer, three feet inside diameter, on I street south, from Third street east to canal; construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, in alley in square 763.
Aug. 12, 1873	845	Riley A. Shinn	Grade, set curbs, lay brick and Seneca stone pavement on Twenty-fifth street west, between Pennsylvania avenue and K street north.
Aug. 15, 1873	853	Wholley & Brainard	Build sea-walls on James Creek canal, from Virginia avenue to arsenal grounds.
Sept. 29, 1874	.....	Extension: A. L. Nesmith & Co.	Complete work under modification of plan by which cost is increased from \$13.50 to \$17.86 per linear foot.
July 29, 1873	854	Albert Gleason	Grade, set curbs, lay brick and blue rock pavements, and park Maryland avenue between Ninth street west and Long Bridge.
Aug. 16, 1873	858	Richard Morgan	Reset curbs and relay brick pavements on Fifth street east, between Pennsylvania and Maryland avenues; lay brick pavements, terrace, park, and lay 12-inch pipe-sewer with man-holes and traps on C street north, between Second and Third streets east. March 25, 1874, cancelled so far as relates to C street north.
May 12, 1874	Extension	Construct an 18-inch pipe sewer on Fifth street east, between B street south and Pennsylvania avenue; construct an 18-inch pipe-sewer on B street south, between Fifth and Sixth streets east, all with man-holes and traps.

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Complete or incomplete.	Last measurement by the commissioners.			Estimated cost of completion.	Remarks.
	Work done by board of public works.	Work done by commissioners.	Total.		
Complete	\$146,736 87	.....	\$146,736 87	\$27,451 20	{ At work July 9, 1874. This estimate is to cover the extension of this sewer through Gales's woods, for which plans have been made and considered by late board of public works. Work, as far as the present termination of the sewer, is completed, but measurements have not yet been made up.
Complete	5,312 50	\$11,452 58	16,765 08	.....
Incomplete .....	.....	.....	.....	16,039 01	{ Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of the contractor to proceed with the improvement. Order of suspension revoked.
Complete .....	.....	3,361 72	3,361 72	.....	{ Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to proceed with the work, and petition of citizens. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	45,000 00	.....	45,000 00	.....	{ At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of commissioners District of Columbia, July 30, 1874. Work condemned, and completion given to other parties under the 5th section of the original contract. This estimate includes an approximate estimate for completing dredging to six feet below mean low tide. No provision in this for rebuilding the condemned walls or for completing the dredging of the canal between them.
Incomplete ..	.....	.....	.....	107,712 00	{ Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to proceed with work, and petition of citizens for the completion of the improvement. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	.....	.....	.....	75,761 18	
Complete	8,293 32	8,293 32	{ Work finished up under the commissioners; practically completed under board of public works.

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Aug. 19, 1873	863	M. J. Laughlin.....	Grade, set curbs, lay brick pavements, park and terrace A street north, from First to Third streets east.
Nov. 10, 1873	.....	Extension	Grade, set curbs, and relay brick pavements on Maryland avenue, from First to Second streets east. Park Maryland avenue, from First to Second streets east.
Aug. 20, 1873	867	Patrick Brennan....	Grade, set curbs, and lay brick pavements on R street north, from Fourteenth to Sixteenth streets west; construct 12-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps on R street north, from Fourteenth to Seventeenth streets west.
Aug. 21, 1873	868	William H. Mohler & Co.	Grade, set curbs, lay brick pavements and 12-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, on O street north, from Eighth to Thirteenth streets west.
Aug. 21, 1873	871	J. V. W. Vandenburg & Co.	Lay the Filbert vulcanite pavement and water-services on O street from Fifth to Thirteenth streets, northwest; September 11, 1873. Canceled so far as relates to paving the carriage-way between Sixth and Eighth streets west; set curbs, lay Filbert vulcanite pavement and 12-inch pipe-sewer with man-holes and traps on Columbia street between O and Q streets north.
Nov. 11, 1873	.....	Extension	Lay Filbert vulcanite pavement on O street north, between Fourth and Fifth streets west.
Aug. 5, 1873	875	William Buckley...	Lay the Belgian trap-rock pavement on D street south, from Fourth and a-half to Seventh streets west.
Aug. 24, 1873	879	M. J. Laughlin.....	Reset curbs, relay brick pavements, and gravel C street south, between Thirteenth-and-a-half and Fourteenth streets west.
Aug. 29, 1873	880	H. Browning.....	Set curbs, park and lay macadam pavement on Pennsylvania avenue, between Eighth and Eleventh streets east.
Sept. 1, 1873	881	Owen O'Hare	Construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, in alley, square 561.
Sept. 5, 1873	885	Himber & Grout...	Grade, gravel, lay cobble-stone in gutters, and construct two 12-inch pipe-culverts on Columbia road, from Boundary street to Fourteenth street road; gravel Columbia road, from Boundary street to south side of S street north.
Sept. 6, 1873	886	W. B. Lacy.....	Grade, gravel, lay cobble-stone in gutters on Fillmore street, between Harrison and Jefferson; grade, gravel, lay cobble-stones in gutters on Pierce street, between Harrison and Jefferson; same on Washington street, between Monroe and Pierce; same on Jefferson street, between Monroe and Pierce; same on Jackson street, between Monroe and Pierce.
Sept. 11, 1873	892	Wm. Kennedy	Lay brick pavement and terrace on Third street north-east, from Maryland avenue to C street north. (November 10, 1873, canceled.) Park and lay brick pavements on K street north, from circle to Rock Creek.
Sept. 13, 1873	899	Wm. Fletcher	Grade, reset curbs, relay brick pavements, and lay cobble-stone pavement on Twenty-sixth street west, between G and K streets north; grade and gravel Twenty-seventh street west, between K and L streets north; also L street, between Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh streets, northwest.

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Complete or incomplete.	Last measurement by the commissioners.			Estimated cost of completion.	Remarks.
	Work done by board of public works.	Work done by commissioners.	Total.		
Incomplete ..	\$4,314 50		\$4,314 50	\$5,451 19	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to proceed with work, and petition of citizens for the completion of improvements. Order of suspension revoked. At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of commissioners July 13, 1874. Order of suspension revoked.
Complete	10,578 82	\$5,426 50	16,005 32		
Complete	7,508 77		7,508 77		Work finished up under commissioners, (practically completed under board of public works.)
Incomplete ..	21,394 03		21,394 03	23,790 00	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor, and petition of citizens for completion of improvements. Asked for by citizens living on the street, and given because promised to them by the board of public works over a year ago, when protest was made against tearing up improvements then existing. Work nearly completed.
Incomplete ..	4,422 31		4,422 31	5,244 41	At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of the commissioners District of Columbia, July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked.
Complete					At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of Commissioners of District of Columbia, July 18, 1874. Work condemned. Order of suspension revoked. To do the work over again will cost about \$500.
Complete	23,234 97	21,410 00	44,644 97		At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of commissioners of District of Columbia, July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked.
Complete		1,105 31	1,105 31		At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of commissioners of District of Columbia, July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	6,427 77		6,427 77	10,337 40	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor and petition of citizens for completion of improvements. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..				8,209 29	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of contractor and petition of citizens to complete improvements. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	10,003 25		10,003 25	3,355 59	At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of commissioners of District of Columbia, July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked. Work nearly completed.
Incomplete ..	1,752 60		1,752 60	16,654 82	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up on application of contractor and petitions of citizens for completion of improvements. Order of suspension revoked. Work nearly completed.

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Date.	Number.	Name of contractor.	Character and locality of improvement.
Sept. 15, 1873	901	A. C. Chenoweth....	Construct a 15-inch pipe-sewer on east side of Third street east, from A street south to Maryland avenue; construct an 18-inch pipe-sewer on east side of Third street east, from Maryland avenue to F street north; a 12-inch pipe-sewer on Third street east, from Maryland avenue to F street north, and a 12-inch pipe-sewer both sides of B street north, between Third and Fourth streets east, all with man-holes and traps.
Sept. 22, 1873	906	J. V. W. Vandenburg & Co.	Lay the vulcanite pavement on Twentieth street west, from K to P streets north, and on Twenty-first street west, from K street to Massachusetts avenue.
Sept. 26, 1873	916	John O. Evans.....	Lay Scharf pavement on B street north, from First to Second streets east.
Oct. 13, 1873	930	James A. Wilson...	Set curbs, lay brick pavements, cobble-stone in gutters, and gravel carriage-way on Riggs street north, from Thirteenth to Fourteenth streets west; grade, pave and lay 12-inch sewer in alley, square 239.
Nov. 1, 1873	955	Howard & Wilson..	Repair pumps District of Columbia.....
Nov. 1 1873	961	Daniel A. Connolly..	Construct 12-inch pipe-sewer in alley, square 686.....
Nov. 10, 1873	988	Daniel A. Connolly..	Lay brick pavements, terrace and park Third street east, from Maryland avenue to C street north.
Dec. 1, 1873	990	Owen O'Hare	Construct 12-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, on the west side of Connecticut avenue, from L to M streets northwest.
Dec. 4, 1873	992	Levi P. Wright	Sweeping streets.....
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Dec. 22, 1873	1012	Gallaber, Loan & Co.	Construct a semi-elliptical brick arch on stone abutments along the old Washington canal, from Third street and Maryland avenue southwest, to James' Creek canal.
Jan. 3, 1874	1015	Albert Gleason	Grade, park, lay brick and cobble-stone pavements on Ohio avenue, from Fourteenth to Fifteenth street west; take up and relay brick and cobble-stone pavements on Fourteenth street west, from Ohio avenue to B street north.
Jan. 7, 1874	1018	Bartlett & Williams.	Grade North Capitol street from L street north to New York avenue.
Jan. 10, 1874	1019	Albert Gleason	Grade New York avenue from Twenty-first to Twenty-third streets west.

contracts—Continued.

Complete or incomplete.	Last measurement by the commissioners.			Estimated cost of completion.	Remarks.
	Work done by board of public works.	Work done by commissioners.	Total.		
Incomplete ..	.....	.....	.....	\$15,617 88	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of the contractor to proceed with the work. Order of suspension revoked.
Complete ....	.....	\$38,986 21	\$38,986 21	.....	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractors and petitions of citizens for improvements. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	.....	.....	.....	10,163 34	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by petitions of citizens for completion of improvements. Order of suspension revoked. Work completed; measurement not in.
Complete ....	.....	1,284 80	1,284 80	.....	Not at work, July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of the contractor to proceed with the work and application of citizens. Order of suspension revoked.
Complete ....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Expired, October 31, 1874. Taken up as current expenses in morning report.
Incomplete ..	.....	.....	.....	529 53	Not at work, July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by petition of citizens for completion of improvements. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	\$1,192 07	.....	1,192 07	6,353 31	Not at work, July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to proceed with the work. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	98 38	.....	98 38	3,021 06	Not at work, July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to proceed with the work. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	At work, July 9, 1874. Suspended, July 18, 1874, by order of commissioners District of Columbia. Order of suspension revoked; contract expires January 5, 1875. Taken up as current expenses on morning report.
Incomplete ..	56,087 55	169,161 35	225,248 90	111,995 25	At work, July 9, 1874.
Incomplete ..	.....	12,107 54	12,107 54	12,018 55	Not at work, July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to proceed and petition of citizens for improvement; work nearly completed. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	.....	.....	.....	11,390 40	Not at work, July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of the contractors to proceed with the work. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	Not at work, July 9, 1874. No further work needed here, and contractor was requested to apply for final measurement. No work done under the commissioners, and amount due for work done under the board of public works believed to be small; measurement not in.

Tabular statement of

Date.	Number.	Name of contractor.	Character and locality of improvement.
Jan. 22, 1874	1023	J. S. Martin	Construct a 12-inch pipe-sewer on Eleventh street east, (west side,) from North Capitol street to B street south, and 15-inch pipe-sewer on west side of Eleventh street east, from B street south to South Carolina avenue.
June 13, 1874	.....	Extension	Construct 12-inch pipe-sewer from southeast corner of Eleventh and B streets southeast to the northeast corner of Eleventh and B streets southeast, and a 12-inch pipe-sewer on the east side of Eleventh street east, from B street to South Carolina avenue.
Mar. 5, 1874	1035	D. A. Connolly.....	Grade, set curbs, and lay brick pavements on Carroll street south, from First to Second streets east.
Mar. 9, 1874	1039	Charles Stewart....	Grade, set curbs, lay brick and macadam pavements on Massachusetts avenue, from Twentieth street west to Boundary. April 3, 1874, canceled so far as relates to brick pavements on the south side and macadam pavement on the carriage-way.
Mar. 9, 1874	1040	S. C. Wroe	Construct sewer-laterals and water-services, and lay brick leads on New Jersey avenue, from B to H streets north; park circle at intersection of Massachusetts and New Jersey avenues.
Mar. 26, 1874	.....	Extension	Lay brick pavements on New Jersey avenue, between B and D streets north; set curbs around circle at intersection of Massachusetts and New Jersey avenues.
Apr. 20, 1874	.....	Extension	Construct 12-inch pipe-sewer on New Jersey avenue, between D and E sts. north; construct 12-inch pipe-sewer on New Jersey avenue, between F and G sts. north; construct 12-inch pipe-sewer on north side of F st. north, from North Capitol street to New Jersey avenue west.
Mar. 9, 1874	1050	Thomas Kirby.....	Grade, macadamize, lay flag, and cobble-stone in gutters, and pipe-sewer on Boundary st., from Ninth to Sixteenth sts. west; set curbs and gravel footwalk on north side of Boundary st., from Ninth to Sixteenth sts. west; relay brick pavements and reset curbs on the south side of Boundary st., from Ninth to Fourteenth streets west.
Mar. 24, 1874	1051	Frank Gordon.....	Grade and lay cobble-stone pavement in alley, square 419
Mar. 24, 1874	1055	Sylvanus Gleason ..	Reset curbs, relay brick pavement, and lay 15-inch pipe-sewers on S street north, between Twelfth and Fourteenth streets west.
Apr. 17, 1874	.....	Extension	Grade, set curbs, and lay brick pavements on S street north, from Eleventh to Twelfth streets west.
Apr. 17, 1874	1063	George Follansbee ..	Grade, set curbs, and lay brick pavement on G street south, between Four-and-a-half and Ninth streets, and lay the Parisen pavement between Four-and-a-half and Eleventh streets west; lay 12-inch pipe-sewer on both sides between Four-and-a-half and Sixth streets; and a 12-inch pipe-sewer on the north side between Sixth and Seventh streets; and 12-inch pipe-sewers on both sides, between Seventh and Tenth streets; and a 12-inch pipe-sewer on the north side, between Tenth and Eleventh streets west. All with man-holes and traps.
Apr. 20, 1874	1064	M. F. Reese	Lay 12-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, in alley, square 366, and in alley north of square 515.
Apr. 21, 1874	1067	Hamilton & Whitmore.	Lay 12 inch pipe-sewer on both sides of Thirteenth street west, between B and C streets south, and a 15-inch pipe-sewer on both sides of 13th street, from C street north to Maryland avenue; construct an 18-inch pipe-sewer on the north side of Maryland avenue, from Thirteenth to Thirteen-and-a-half street, and a 20-inch pipe-sewer on Maryland avenue, from Thirteen-and-a-half to Fourteenth street west. All with man-holes and traps.

contracts—Continued.

Complete or incomplete.	Last measurement by the commissioners.			Estimated cost of completion.	Remarks.
	Work done by board of public works.	Work done by commissioners.	Total.		
Complete	\$4,244 14	.....	\$4,244 14	.....	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to proceed. Order of suspension revoked.
Complete .....	.....	\$2,706 00	2,706 00	.....	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to proceed. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	12,518 10	.....	12,518 10	\$8,041 09	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to proceed with work. Order of suspension revoked. Work nearly completed.
Incomplete ..	578 88	.....	578 88	31,365 88	At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of the commissioners District of Columbia July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked. Work nearly completed.
Incomplete ..	.....	.....	.....	132,597 60	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of contractor to resume work. Order of suspension revoked. Very little work done.
Incomplete ..	.....	.....	.....	370 05	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of contractor to resume work. Order of suspension revoked. Work stopped until alley can be sewered.
Incomplete ..	.....	.....	.....	11,924 44	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of the contractor to resume work, and petition of the property-holders for completion of the improvement. Order of suspension revoked. Very little work done.
Incomplete ..	22,312 98	.....	22,312 98	6,329 90	At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of the commissioners District of Columbia July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked. Very little work done since allowed to proceed.
Complete	890 52	605 36	1,495 88	.....	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up by application of contractor for measurement and to resume work, and petition of citizens to proceed with improvement. Order of suspension revoked.
Complete	7,204 59	.....	7,204 59	.....	At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of the commissioners District of Columbia July 18, 1874. Brought up by application of contractor for measurement. Order of suspension revoked. Work finished up under the commissioners—practically completed under the board of public works.

Tabular statement of

Date.	Number.	Name of contractor.	Character and locality of improvement.
Apr. 22, 1874	1070	Dennis Niland	Park and lay brick leads on Nineteenth street west, from P-street circle to Boundary.
Apr. 27, 1874	1071	Charles Stewart....	Grade sidewalks on Green street, between Water and Bridge streets; lay brick pavements on the east side of Green street, between Bridge street and canal, Georgetown.
Apr. 25, 1874	1072	William Dayton	Construct a 24-inch brick barrel-sewer, 3 feet inside diameter, on D street south, from Seventh to Eighth streets east, and Seventh street east, from D to I streets south, and lay a 12-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, on Seventh street east, from D to G streets south.
Apr. 29, 1874	1074	Albert Gleason	Grade, reset curb, and relay brick pavement on Q street north, from Seventh to Eighth streets west.
May 7, 1874	1076	J. H. Clarke.....	Lay 12-inch pipe-sewer, with two man-holes and drop, in alley in square 337.
May 12, 1874	1079	Charles Stewart....	Grade and pave with cobble-stone alley in square 495
May 16, 1874	1080	William H. Collins..	Grade and pave with cobble-stone east alley, square 274 ...
May 22, 1874	1084	Charles Schroth....	Grade and lay cobble-stone pavement on D street south, from Sixth to Seventh streets east.
June 12, 1874	.....	Extension	Lay 12-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, on north side of D street south, from Sixth to Seventh streets east.
May 23, 1874	1086	J. H. Clarke.....	Grade and lay cobble-stone pavement and construct 12-inch pipe-sewers, with man-holes and traps, in alleys in squares 312 and 337.
May 23, 1874	1087	Charles Stewart....	Grade, lay cobble-stone pavement, and construct 12-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes, traps, and drops, in alleys in squares 279 and 368.
May 28, 1874	1088	Charles Stewart....	Lay 12-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, in alley in square 725.
June 6, 1874	1091	R. E. Boston	Lay 12-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, in alley in square 242.
June 9, 1874	1094	Albert Gleason.....	Grade, set curbs, lay brick pavements, park, and lay 12-inch pipe-sewer on Fifteenth street west, from Rhode Island avenue to Boundary.

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contracts—Continued.

Complete or incomplete.	Last measurement by the commissioners.			Estimated cost of completion.	Remarks.
	Work done by board of public works.	Work done by commissioners.	Total.		
Complete		\$4,694 31	\$4,694 31		At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of the commissioners District of Columbia July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	\$4,272 00		4,272 00	\$2,510 40	At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of the commissioners District of Columbia July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked. No work done since allowed to proceed.
Incomplete ..		6,457 68	6,457 68	9,529 11	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to proceed with work. Order of suspension revoked. Work nearly completed. Measurements not in.
Complete		1,337 20	1,337 20		Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to proceed. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..					Included in contract 1086. Order of suspension revoked.
Complete	678 50		678 50		At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of the commissioners of District of Columbia, July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked. Work finished up under commissioners. Practically completed under board of public works.
Complete	497 60		497 60		Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to proceed with the work. Order of suspension revoked. Work finished up under commissioners. Practically completed under board of public works.
Complete	2,035 24	420 54	2,505 78		At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of commissioners of District of Columbia, July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..		1,494 54	1,494 54	1,271 41	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to proceed with the work and petitions of citizens to complete improvements. Order of suspension revoked. Work completed, but measurement not in.
Incomplete ..		2,388 17	2,388 17	132 12	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor and petition of citizens for completion of improvements. Order of suspension revoked.
Complete		1,064 32	1,064 32		At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of commissioners of District of Columbia, July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..				1,679 89	Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to complete the work. Order of suspension revoked. Work nearly completed.
Incomplete ..				41,439 95	At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of commissioners of District of Columbia, July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked. Work completed to amount of one-half of this estimate. Measurement not in.

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Tabular statement of

Date.	Number.	Name of contractor.	Character and locality of improvement.
June 16 1874	1097	Allen Chappel.....	Lay 24-inch pipe-sewer, with man-holes and traps, on Seventh street east, from G to I streets north.
June 19 1874	1098	A. C. Chelsoeth....	Construct a 2-ring brick barrel-sewer, 3 feet inside diameter, on Tenth street west, from R to T streets north, and a 2-ring brick barrel-sewer, 2 feet 6 inches inside diameter, on T street north, from Tenth to Thirteenth streets west.
June 20 1874	1099	J. V. W. Vandenberg.	Take up iron fence, coping, and piers, around Capitol grounds, and remove the same to B street, northwest; prepare the foundations, set coping, piers, and iron fence, including necessary repairs, on south side of B street north, from Sixth to Seventeenth streets west. Measurements on twenty-six contracts completed under the board of public works.
			Total

contracts—Continued.

Complete or incomplete.	Last measurement by the commissioners.			Estimated cost of completion.	Remarks.
	Work done by board of public works.	Work done by commissioners.	Total.		
Complete		\$2,847 72	\$2,847 72		Not at work July 9, 1874. Brought up for consideration by application of contractor to proceed with work. Order of suspension revoked.
Incomplete ..	\$1,540 00	11,982 37	13,522 37	\$7,151 88	At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of commissioners of District of Columbia, July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked. Work nearly completed.
Complete	16,879 36	4,959 90	21,839 26		At work July 9, 1874. Suspended by order of commissioners of District of Columbia, July 18, 1874. Order of suspension revoked.
.....	301,907 68		301,907 68		Increment over last measurement of board of public works, and representing work not heretofore measured, (see morning report.) \$1,139,275.38.
.....	2,064,545 55	548,383 25	2,612,928 80	1,721,270 11	

NEW CONTRACTS.

Date.	No.	Name.	Character and locality of improvement.	Last measurement.		Estimated cost of work.
				Final or partial.	Date.	Amount.
1874.					1874.	
Aug. 7	1	Holtzclaw & Graham	Furnish material, labor, and repair roof of eastern market, in square 572.	Final	Sept. 5	\$470 00
Aug. 22	2	Samuel C. Hunt	Repair buildings, and repair and extend out houses, Jefferson school building, (Sixth and Virginia avenue,) and the Greenleaf school building, (four-and-a-half street, between N and O streets) and Potomac school building, (Twelfth street west, between Maryland avenue and P street south.)	Final	Oct. 9	3,633 25
Aug. 22	3	Groot & Humber	Carry a gravel pit and saw mill at Elsworth and Boundary streets, northwest.	Final	Oct. 8	2,917 16
Aug. 24	4	Richard Fitzmaurice	Build all water pipes between the District of Columbia and Eighth and East Capitol streets east to Sixth street wharf west, and from P street, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets, northwest, to G street wharf.	Final	Oct. 9	1,392 48
Sept. 17	5	Albert & Sylvanus Gleason	Construct all lateral sewers and house-connections in the cities of Washington and Georgetown for a period of one year.*			
Oct. 9	6	George A. Hilton	Furnish Fountain patent sign for the cities of Washington and Georgetown.			\$1,000
Oct. 28	7	William Douglass	Furnish and plant 500 trees, wherever designated by the engineer, and 500 tree-boxes and straps, for the cities of Washington and Georgetown.			1,750
Oct. 10	8	Samuel S. Hunt	Build and complete a frame school-house in the county of Washington.			
Oct. 29	9	John S. Luckie	Lay and complete yards of brick, administrative rack pavement on Tenney's lane avenue, between Fourth and Fifth streets, northwest.	Final	Nov. 19	1,275 00
Nov. 7	10	James Lyons	Grade, set curbs, and lay brick, foot pavements in the cities of Washington and Georgetown, whenever and wherever the same may be ordered by the engineer of the District of Columbia.			842 50
			Total.....			6,000
						10,340 89
						8,750

* Included in general estimate for extension of sewerage.

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

WASHINGTON, November 26, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: We have your communication of the 23d instant, requesting "a statement of the principles upon which you assessed church property," and we beg to state, in reply, that the ground attached to such property, being already assessed by others in view of the valuation of ground contiguous thereto, we did not disturb.

In assessing the church-buildings, we were governed entirely by our estimate of their value for other purposes if put upon the market and sold to the highest bidder.

On buildings for churches, not being suitable for use as dwellings or houses of business, we based our estimate on what we judged to be their value for conversion into houses of that kind.

Where parsonages were a part of the church property, we adopted the assessments already made, deeming them to be reasonable.

We are, gentlemen, very respectfully, yours,

GEO. W. RIGGS.
H. A. WILLARD.
ANTHONY HYDE.

The Hon. Messrs. W. DENNISON and J. H. KETCHAM,
Commissioners of the District of Columbia.

WASHINGTON.

Church.	Number of feet.	Valuation.
BAPTIST.		
First Church.....	9,742	\$10,177
Second Church.....	11,895	6,570
Fifth Church.....	8,137	6,441
North Church.....	5,600	3,080
Nineteenth-street Church.....	5,037	13,124
Calvary Church.....	7,608	23,564
E-street Church.....	6,823	49,646
First Church, (colored).....	6,100	2,580
Third colored Church.....	2,176	2,479
Fourth Church, (colored).....	5,000	2,750
Fifth Church, (colored).....	8,478	2,967
Colored Church, (Third street).....	3,156	2,278
Zion Church, (colored).....	4,295	1,859
Colored Church, (New Jersey avenue and P street).....	1,500	575
Rehoboth Church, (colored).....	3,757	475
Shiloh Church, (colored).....	5,325	4,163
Colored Church, (Franklin street).....	4,939	1,262
Second White Oak, branch of.....	1,935	677
Kendall Mission.....	3,400	1,650
Calvary Mission.....	4,202	2,681
Enon Church, (colored).....	3,057	1,470
Free-Will Church.....	9,692	294
Shiloh Church.....	3,817	6,317
CATHOLIC.		
*St. Martin's.....	18,884	10,914
St. Matthew's.....	22,200	65,650
St. Patrick's.....	82,710	179,323
Immaculate Conception.....	18,668	27,835
*St. Dominic's.....	51,248	26,264

*A large church is now being erected on this property, which is not included in this valuation.

WASHINGTON—Continued.

Church.	Number of feet.	Valuation.
CATHOLIC—Continued.		
St. Mary's.....	13,910	\$13,346
St. Stephen's.....	13,480	27,996
St. Aloysius'.....	115,656	67,045
*Cathedral Square, (Capitol Hill).....	89,571	5,364
St. Peter's.....	10,900	8,710
St. Joseph's.....	57,706	28,602
EPISCOPAL.		
P. E. Mission.....	4,515	1,429
St. Paul's Church.....	13,411	8,864
St. John's Church.....	7,500	29,512
Epiphany Church.....	27,489	57,550
Church of Incarnation.....	5,640	10,640
Ascension Church.....	12,000	22,200
Grace Church.....	6,465	3,088
St. Paul's Chapel.....	4,500	1,900
Trinity Church.....	9,600	24,600
St. Mark's Church.....	8,711	13,004
Christ Church.....	19,604	6,840
LUTHERAN.		
Church Twentieth and G.....	8,488	10,942
Memorial Church.....	15,612	34,418
English Lutheran.....	5,600	16,290
German Evangelical Church, Sixth street.....	8,196	11,147
German Church, Fourth and E.....	4,711	8,196
St. John's Church.....	5,000	3,000
R-formation.....	4,915	2,312
METHODIST.		
Union Wesley Chapel.....	4,510	3,353
Union M. E. Chapel.....	9,934	12,747
M. P. Mission.....	2,700	1,445
John Wesley Church.....	3,363	1,841
Bethel Church.....	10,076	8,148
Mount Zion Church.....	13,694	7,797
Foundry Church.....	12,843	41,637
Asbury African Church.....	5,290	12,011
Hamline Church.....	7,800	8,420
McKendree Chapel.....	9,221	20,721
Ryland Chapel.....	7,190	7,957
Grace Chapel.....	5,859	6,049
Southern Chapel.....	6,866	21,949
Ninth-street Chapel.....	6,346	23,438
Wesley Chapel.....	5,715	17,430
Metropolitan Church.....	9,200	45,300
Gorsuch Church.....	3,669	1,667
Fletcher Church.....	4,610	3,888
Galbraith Church.....	5,877	3,632
Mount Zion Church (colored).....	6,725	4,344
Providence Church.....	5,850	1,177
Waugh Church.....	4,125	6,650
Ebenezer Church (colored).....	3,947	4,381
East Washington Church.....	14,451	8,059
First M. P. Church, Navy-Yard.....	8,519	3,452
North Carolina Mission.....	6,251	5,063
Twelfth-street Mission.....	5,581	1,226

*No improvements. The property has been in the name of John Carroll since 1803, and has never been assessed; supposed to have been intended for the erection of a cathedral at some future time.

WASHINGTON—Continued.

Church.	Number of feet.	Valuation.
PRESBYTERIAN.		
Western Church.....	5,922	\$11,145
Fifteenth-street Church.....	4,410	13,820
New York-avenue Church.....	6,858	22,000
North Church.....	8,820	9,115
Fourth Church.....	12,850	26,560
Seventh Church.....	8,517	6,759
Assembly Church.....	5,700	10,040
First Church, (Fourth-and-a-half street).....	12,463	31,816
Sixth Church.....	6,090	5,705
Central Church.....	8,120	12,650
Metropolitan Church.....	10,564	16,528
Union Chapel.....	4,600	1,006
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Wayland Seminary.....	3,377	3,102
Columbia Law Building.....	7,486	20,654
Hicksite Friends.....	11,637	12,637
Christian Church, Vermont avenue.....	6,912	3,810
Colfax Industrial Mission.....	10,000	5,000
Mount Pisgah.....	4,275	1,501
Congregational Church, Tenth and G.....	15,806	42,791
Eighth-street Synagogue.....	9,230	16,076
First Reformed Church.....	4,000	3,625
German Church, Sixth and P, northwest.....	3,946	2,773
Unitarian Church.....	6,312	15,789
* Swedenborgian Church.....	4,551	3,641

* This does not include value of building.

GEORGETOWN.

Church.	Number of feet.	Valuation.
BAPTIST.		
First Church.....	7,200	\$7,240
First, (colored).....	2,280	728
CATHOLIC.		
Trinity.....	83,800	24,440
Convent of Visitation.....		5,000
EPISCOPAL.		
Grace Church.....	24,960	7,924
Christ Church.....	10,620	13,974
Saint John's Church.....	16,750	10,215
LUTHERAN.		
Lutheran Chapel, (ground not assessed).....		700

GEORGETOWN—Continued.

Church.	Number of feet.	Valuation.
METHODIST.		
Mount Zion, (colored).....	4,800	\$2,420
Ebenezer, (colored).....	3,600	2,920
Methodist Protestant.....	14,138	11,255
Fayette-street Mission.....		1,100
Dumbarton-street.....	10,560	10,792
West Georgetown.....	2,400	1,600
PRESBYTERIAN.		
West-street.....	32,160	13,901

THE COUNTY.

BAPTIST.

	Valuation.
Barry Farm.....	\$200
Rock Creek.....	120
Tennallytown.....	260

CATHOLIC.

St. Amos's.....	1,260
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EPISCOPAL.

Uniontown.....	750
Rock Creek.....	34,000
Saint Alban's.....	1,600

METHODIST.

Barry Farm.....	300
Uniontown.....	625
Piney Grove.....	522
Good Hope, (colored).....	750
Jones's Chapel.....	250
Little Falls.....	400
Mount Zion.....	400
Emery Chapel.....	1,050

PRESBYTERIAN.

Gurley.....	1,625
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The congregations of Saint Martin's, Saint Dominic's, the Immaculate Conception, Church of the Ascension, and Israel (M. E.) are having new edifices erected, the cost of which is not included in the assessment.

The following is the valuation, as returned by the assessors :

RECAPITULATION.

Washington, ground.....	\$951,094	
Washington, improvements.....	474,700	
		\$1,425,794
Georgetown, ground.....	38,555	
Georgetown, improvements.....	77,100	
		111,655
County, ground.....	33,495	
County, improvements.....	15,800	
		49,295
Total.....		1,590,744

The amount of tax which will be realized from the assessment at the rate of 3 per cent. on this class of property in Washington, 2½ per cent. in Georgetown, and 2 per cent. in the county, is as follows: Washington, \$42,779.85; Georgetown, \$2,891.37; county, \$955.90—total, \$46,657.12.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

AUDITOR'S OFFICE, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Columbian Building, Washington, November 21, 1784.

GENTLEMEN: In response to your communication of the 19th instant, I have the honor to submit the following estimate of the expenditures of this office, viz:

For salary of auditor from December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875..... \$1,400 00
 For salary of three clerks for same time..... 2,520 00

Total salaries..... 3,720 00
 Contingent expenses, including books, stationery, &c., for same time..... 200 00

Total..... 3,920 00

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1876:

For salary of auditor..... \$2,400 00
 For salary of three clerks..... 4,320 00

Total salaries..... 6,720 00
 Contingent expenses, including books, stationery, &c..... 500 00

Total..... 7,220 00

Very respectfully,

JOHN T. VINSEN,
Auditor.

Hon. COMMISSIONERS FOR DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

CORONER'S STATEMENT.

CORONER'S OFFICE, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, D. C., November 21, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: In compliance with your request of the 19th instant, I have the honor to submit the following estimates of sums required for the office of coroner, from December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875. Also, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1876.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,
 D. C. PATTERSON,
Coroner.

Estimate of sums required for the coroner's office from December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875.

	Salary as fixed by the District legislature.	Salary, less 20 per cent.
For salary of coroner.....	\$1,166 67	\$933 33
CONTINGENT EXPENSES.		
For horse hire or livery.....	175 00	175 00
Total.....	1,341 67	1,008 33

D. C. PATTERSON,
Coroner.

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Estimate of expenses for coroner's office for year ending June 30, 1876.

	Salary as fixed by District legislature.	Salary, less 20 per cent.
For salary of coroner.....	\$2,000	\$1,600
CONTINGENT EXPENSES.		
For horse-hire or livery	300	300
For stationery.....	100	100
Total.....	2,400	2,000

D. C. PATTERSON, *Coroner.*

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXES.

OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT ASSESSMENTS AND TAXES.

November 21, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: In answer to your circular of the 19th instant, I have the honor to submit the following:

Estimate from December 1, 1874, to June 30, 1875.

Salaries:		
Superintendent.....	\$1,750 less 20 per cent.,	\$1,400
3 clerks.....	2,625 less 20 per cent.,	2,100
1 messenger.....	525 less 20 per cent.,	420
6 assessors.....	3,500 less 20 per cent.,	2,800
11 members board of appeals	1,320 less 20 per cent.,	1,056
Total salaries.....	9,720	7,776
Stationery and postage-stamps.		\$50 00
Ice.....		17 50
Repairing and binding record-books, very badly needed		400 00
Additional compensation to county assessor for use of horse.....		60 00
Messenger board of appeals (30 days).....		75 00
Total contingent.....		602 50

Estimate for year ending June 30, 1876.

Salaries:		
Superintendent.....	\$3,000 less 20 per cent.,	\$2,400
3 clerks.....	4,500 less 20 per cent.,	3,600
1 messenger.....	900 less 20 per cent.,	720
6 assessors (general assessment).....	6,000 less 20 per cent.,	4,800
11 members board of appeals.....	4,400 less 20 per cent.,	3,520
Total salaries.....	18,800 less 20 per cent.,	15,050
1 dozen field-books for assessors		\$30
1 dozen return-books for assessors		30
Stationery and postage-stamps		100
Ice.....		30
12 tax-books, 1876-77		420
Numerical book.....		40
Extra clerical force on numerical book, which work cannot be done in office hours		4,000
Additional compensation to county assessor for use of horse (general assessment)		210
Clerk to board of appeals (general assessment).....		400
Messenger to board of appeals (general assessment).....		200
Total contingent.....		5,460

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM MORGAN,

Superintendent of Assessments and Taxes.

The Hon. COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF AUDIT.



REPORT OF THE BOARD OF AUDIT.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, *December 7, 1874.*

The PRESIDENT :

By the sixth section of "An act for the government of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes," approved June 20, 1874, it was made "the duty of the First Comptroller of the Treasury, and the Second Comptroller of the Treasury, of the United States, who are hereby constituted a board of audit, to examine and audit for settlement all the unfunded or floating debt of the District of Columbia, and of the board of public works," as specified in said section; to examine and audit the accounts of certain officers of the District; and to perform certain other duties therein specified, and to "make a full report of all its acts and proceedings to the President, to be by him transmitted to Congress on the first day of the next session thereof."

The undersigned entered upon the discharge of the duties thus devolved upon them July 1, and having arranged the order of proceeding, on the 9th of July issued the following notice, which was published for two weeks in one weekly and three daily papers of the city of Washington, viz :

NOTICE TO CLAIMANTS.

By the provisions of the sixth section of an act entitled "An act for the government of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes," approved June 20, 1874, the undersigned are constituted a board of audit, to examine and audit for settlement all the unfunded or floating indebtedness of the District of Columbia and of the board of public works; and, in pursuance of this duty, they are directed to give notice for the presentation of the following claims:

First. Claims against the board of public works evidenced by sewer-certificates.

Second. Claims against the board of public works purporting to be evidenced and ascertained by certificates of their auditor.

Third. Claims against the District of Columbia evidenced by certificates of its auditor and comptroller.

Fourth. Claims existing or hereafter created for which no evidence of indebtedness has been issued, arising out of contracts, written or oral, made by the board of public works.

Fifth. Claims for which no evidence of indebtedness has been issued, arising out of contracts, written or oral, made by or on behalf of the District of Columbia.

Sixth. Claims for private property taken by the board of public works from the avenues, streets, and alleys of the cities of Washington and Georgetown.

Seventh. Unadjusted claims for damages that may have been presented to the board of public works pursuant to an act of the legislative assembly of the District of Columbia, entitled "An act providing for the payment of damages sustained by reason of public improvements or repairs," approved June 20, 1872, which claims are to be examined and audited without regard to any examination heretofore made.

Eighth. Claims for amount of sewer-tax or assessment paid by any person, persons, or corporation, under the act of the legislative assembly of the District of Columbia, entitled "An act creating drainage and sewerage sections in the cities of Washington and Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, and providing for the payment of the construction of sewers and drains therein by assessments, and issuing certificates therefor," approved June 26, 1873.

In each case where the indebtedness claimed to exist is on account of services rendered or material furnished upon the order of an officer of the District of Columbia or of the board of public works, such claim must be accompanied by the certificate of the officer ordering the same.

No claims will be audited or allowed unless presented within nine days from the date hereof.

All claims presented under this notice must be addressed to the board of audit, Columbia Building, Fourth-and-a-half street, Washington, D. C.

R. W. TAYLER,

First Comptroller, United States Treasury.

J. M. BRODHEAD,

Second Comptroller, United States Treasury.

JULY 9, 1874.

During the preliminary examinations, consultations were had with the commissioners appointed under the same act, and they were also frequently held with them to the present time. Between the commissioners and the board of audit there has been entire harmony, and almost entire agreement in regard to their respective duties and the manner of their performance, so far as they were considered proper for mutual consultation and mutual understanding.

At the outset it was agreed that, in the main, the duties of the board of audit related to the past, while those of the commissioners concerned the future.

The only material exception to this arose under the fourth-class claims, designated in the act as "claims existing, or hereafter created, for which no evidence of indebtedness has been issued, arising out of contracts, written or oral, made by the board of public works." Section 2 of the act, in placing certain limitations to the powers of the commissioners, distinctly declares that those powers shall extend "to the execution of existing legal obligations and contracts, and to the protection or preservation of improvements existing, or commenced and not completed, at the time of the passage of this act." It being thus apparent that the commissioners were authorized to proceed with the execution of existing contracts which had not been fulfilled, it seemed equally apparent that the claims thereafter created and arising out of such contracts were among those submitted to the board of audit.

First. Under this class of claims, which were simple and plain in their character, but few questions arose. The commissioners redeemed \$470,000 of these certificates which had been hypothecated, and the question was suggested, whether the board of audit could certify the amount as due to the commissioners, with a view to their conversion into bonds authorized by the act of June 20, 1874; but the board was of the opinion that on their redemption by the commissioners they ceased to be valid obligations of the District. A similar question was presented in reference to some \$15,000 of coupons redeemed by the commissioners of the sinking-fund, in expectation that their fund would be re-imbursed from collections of sewer-taxes. The board held that these coupons no longer constituted a part of the debt of the District.

From the records of the District it appears that the certificates issued amounted to.....		\$2, 120, 000
The collector of taxes redeemed.....	\$505, 950	
The commissioners of the District.....	470, 000	
The treasurer of the board of public works delivered to the commissioners.....	80, 900	
Presented to the board of audit.....	858, 550	
Total.....		1, 915, 400
Outstanding		204, 600

Certificates were received by the collector of the board of public works in payment of taxes, and in a few instances, where the certificates taken exceeded the tax, due-bills were given by the collector for the dif-

ference. These due-bills, amounting to \$262.44, were audited and allowed in this class. Unpaid interest at 8 per cent., the rate expressed upon the certificates and coupons, was computed and allowed to August 1, 1874, the date of the bonds authorized by Congress. The total amount allowed and certified by the board of audit of this class is \$898,794.29. The certificates outstanding, with seven months' interest added, make \$214,148, and the total debt of this class \$1,112,942.29.

Second. Certificates of the auditor of the board of public works.

These were not warrants upon the treasurer of the board. The auditor simply certified that a certain sum was due to the party named, and upon what account. They were not, in form, negotiable, either by delivery or assignment; but it was manifest that they had been issued and accepted with the understanding and intent, on the part of the board of public works and of the creditors, that they should be used as securities for obtaining money either by sale or hypothecation, and that to question their validity in the hands of those who held them in good faith might work great injustice. The board of audit therefore decided that if a certificate was untainted with fraud, it should be deemed a valid obligation against the District, in the hands of a holder in good faith; but that certificates in the hands of the original parties to them should be audited and allowed only in the event that the condition of the accounts justified their issue. In a number of cases the treasurer had taken up the auditor's certificates, and, in lieu of them, accepted bills drawn on him by the holders, payable at a future day, and sometimes with interest at a rate exceeding 6 per cent. The board of audit regarded such acceptances as unauthorized and invalid, but where they could be traced to and connected with the certificates on which they were based, the board accepted the latter as constituting the claim of the holder of the acceptances, but where such connection could not be traced, no action has been taken. In other instances, like acceptances were given for sums due, or supposed to be due, but not yet certified by the auditor. Such acceptances were allowed when justified by the accounts. In a few instances money had been borrowed by the board on notes of the treasurer. The treasurer having charged himself with the money, the claims were allowed and certified in this class as the most appropriate.

A large number of suits in the equity court were prosecuted by parties questioning the ownership of auditor's certificates, and preliminary orders restraining the action of the board were made, but on hearing our demurrer, the judge holding the equity court decided that the members of the board of audit were officers of the Government in the discharge of duties imposed upon them by law, and were not subject to the jurisdiction of that court. The board, however, in cases brought to their knowledge, in which the proper parties had been restrained, respected the order of the court, so far as to withhold the certificates of audit from claimants thus restrained.

Holders of auditor's certificates claimed to have allowed them interest on the principal sum due, and the board of audit being unable to come to a satisfactory decision of the question, requested the Secretary of the Treasury to submit it to the Attorney-General, who, in an opinion dated October 17, 1874, held that in cases where a claim has been adjusted and a sum found to be due and certified, the creditor is entitled to interest, at the rate of 6 per centum, upon it. Following this opinion the board added interest to the principal of the certificates and certified the amount thus ascertained.

Amount of certificates issued	\$18,660,752 69
Amount of small certificates in lieu of larger taken up	586,100 00
Total	19,246,852 69
Redeemed, including those for which acceptances and smaller certificates were given	\$14,648,340 20
Small certificates	467,300 00
Redeemed by the collector of the board	128,233 35
Presented to the board	3,796,227 50
	19,040,101 05
Outstanding	206,751 64
There were also presented for audit notes and acceptances	\$331,214 98
Audited and allowed	238,852 73
Not acted upon	92,362 25
Acceptances not presented	15,000 00
Leaving unaudited claims of this class amounting to	314,113 89
The amount of certificates issued for this class of claims, including interest, is \$4,170,030.63. Total debt of class two, \$4,184,144.52.	
Third. Claims evidenced by the certificates of the auditor and comptroller.	
These claims were small in number and amount, and were in the form of warrants on the District treasurer, issued by the comptroller on accounts audited by the auditor and certified by the comptroller.	
The rule stated by the Attorney-General in relation to interest on auditor's certificates being equally applicable to this class, interest was allowed.	
Seven claims were presented and allowed	\$1,871 63
Interest	25 43
Total	1,897 06

Fourth. Claims existing or hereafter created for which no evidence of indebtedness has been issued, arising out of contracts, written or oral, made by the board of public works.

To the allowance of claims of this class objections were interposed by representatives of the Tax-payers' Association of the District. The principal objections were based upon the allegation that the prices agreed to be paid exceeded the cash value of the work, and that therefore the contracts were fraudulent; and upon the alleged fact that the aggregate of these contracts carried the indebtedness of the District to an amount exceeding the limit prescribed by the act to provide a government for the District of Columbia.

The board of audit was of the opinion that, while excess of price might prove that the board of public works was improvident in contracting, it did not necessarily constitute a badge of fraud in the contracts, and, indeed, in many instances, it was apparent that the contractors were largely losers, through the unavailable or depreciated evidences of indebtedness with which they were paid.

For the fact that the aggregate of the contracts imposed upon the District, and amount of indebtedness exceeding the prescribed limit, no contractor was responsible. Each contract was clearly within the powers conferred upon the board of public works, and no one nor altogether necessarily implied the creation of debt in excess of the authorized amount. The result of all may be debt in such excess, but the responsibility rests upon the agents of the District, and not with those who made contracts within the apparent authority of the board. Besides, the work was performed and the money expended with the knowledge

and approval and under the promise of payment of those who represented, and who only could represent, the District in this business.

Neither private interests nor interested opinions of the law can ever compel governments to be unjust to those who have rendered them valuable service.

In several instances contracts to pay in specified securities were made, and in others to pay in cash or its equivalent, but payment had been made in auditor's certificates. In these cases claim was made for the difference between the value of the promised certificates and the certificate of the auditor, and between cash and such certificates. In the same cases it was claimed that for sums due and not audited the board should allow, in addition to the sums found due, a sum sufficient to make the cash-value of the bonds authorized by the act of June 20, 1874, equal to the sums due under the contracts. The board of audit was, however, of opinion that where creditors had accepted certificates of the auditor certifying the sums due them and had disposed of the certificates for sums less than their nominal value, the board of audit was not authorized to add any sum on that account to the indebtedness of the District.

The board was also of opinion that in auditing and allowing claims not previously audited and certified, the amounts to be allowed were those due under the contracts, without reference to the medium of payment, and that additional allowances could not be made because payment would not be made in ready cash.

When the late District government was abrogated, there were in existence a large number of contracts made by the board of public works which had not been completed. As already stated, it was agreed, at the outset, by the commissioners and the board of audit, that the powers of the former included the completion of existing legal contracts, and of the latter, the auditing and certifying claims arising under the continuation of such contracts by the commissioners. Under many of these contracts work has been continued by direction of the commissioners, and claims thence arising have been audited by the board.

The aggregate amount of claims presented under this head is \$2,896,537.78.

Amount allowed and certified	\$1,088,757 84
Percentage withheld on claims allowed	56,166 24
Withdrawn and disallowed	349,421 05
Remaining unadjusted	1,402,192 65
Total	2,896,537 78

In addition there is a large number of measurements by the engineer of work under contract, the amount of which has not been computed. The claims in this class include a large amount for work done under the commissioners.

In cases of other contracts which the commissioners did not propose to carry out, claims for damages alleged to have been sustained by reason of their non-performance were presented, but it was held that the board of audit was not vested with sufficient powers to inquire into and decide claims of this character, and no other action was taken in these cases.

Fifth. Claims for which no evidence of indebtedness has been issued, arising out of contracts, written or oral, made by or on behalf of the District of Columbia.

Under this class a great variety and number of claims were presented. The appropriation by Congress for the payment of the officers, employés,

and laborers of the District placed under the control of the commissioners, relieved the board of audit from their examination, and reduced considerably the amount to be audited and allowed in this class. These claims show that every department, office, branch, and agency of the District government, however remote, contracted debts, frequently without apparent necessity and with doubtful authority. Where only doubt existed, the board decided in favor of the creditor; in other cases the claims were rejected because they were not debts of the District. The school-boards were in debt for stationery, printing, advertising, fuel, and rent of school-rooms. As the school-boards had special funds for the support of schools, and these funds varied in the three divisions of the District, some hesitation in allowing the claims was entertained, but as the educational interests of the District cannot well be severed, and must always be regarded as one, these claims were treated as chargeable against the District, and were allowed and certified. From this rule, however, the completion of the large school-house in Georgetown was excluded, because the legislation authorizing its erection made it peculiarly local. It ought to be completed without delay, but it is believed that the authority of the board of audit does not extend to claims arising under the contract for its erection.

Claims of this class, before being audited, were referred to the comptroller of the District or to other proper officers for examination and report whether they had been paid.

Number of claims presented.....	596
Amount claimed	\$482,569 70
Number of claims audited and allowed	131
Amount allowed	\$82,547 43
Parts of claims not allowed.....	5,906 18
Disallowed, 76 claims.....	96,319 00
Not acted upon, 207 claims.....	297,797 09
Total	\$482,569 70

Of the unaudited claims, over \$70,000 are bills against the schools which have been referred to the trustees for information, and a large portion of the residue awaits information and additional evidence. Claims for refunding taxes erroneously assessed and collected, and on account of land taken for roads, streets, and alleys, as also claims existing against the separate corporations at the time of the creation of the District government, were presented, but as they did not appear to be among the claims referred to the board of audit, they were not considered.

Sixth. Claims for private property taken by the board of public works from the avenues, streets, and alleys of the cities of Georgetown and Washington.

No certificates have been delivered to claimants for audited claims of this class. The board of audit was of the opinion that the sums allowed should be credited in part payment of special assessments for improvements made upon the several parcels of real estate to which the property taken appertained respectively; which assessments, where made, yet remain a charge upon the real estate, and where hereafter made, will constitute a like charge. The board of audit regarded these claims as due to the separate lots, rather than in favor of the persons presenting them.

There were 1,582 claims presented, of which 368 were audited and allowed; 47 were rejected; 335 appertained to streets which have not been assessed, and 832 have not been fully examined.

Other claims, however, appeared on the records of the board of public works and were therefore considered as before the board of audit. The quantity and valuation of property taken appear by the returns of superintendents of improvements, the valuation appearing by rates established by the board of public works, which were accepted by the board of audit as furnishing the safest rule by which to ascertain the sums due and allowable. The records show that claims on streets assessed for improvements, assumed to be substantially correct, amount to \$263,322.25; and on streets where assessments have not been made, to \$199,772.60; total, \$463,094.85. The board of audit does not regard these claims as constituting a portion of the debt of the District, but as means of the property-holders for extinguishing so much of the special-tax liens upon their property which have not been paid, and whether assessed or as yet unassessed.

Seventh. Claims for damages to real estate occasioned by public improvements.

The authority conferred upon the board of audit in respect to claims of this character was confined to those which had been presented to the board of public works, but was not controlled by the action of that board.

Nine hundred and ninety-seven claims were presented to the board of public works, amounting to \$468,686.07.

To ascertain and adjust the claims, the board of public works appointed a commission consisting of four persons, and from the best information that could be obtained the board of audit became satisfied that the commission were not only personally well qualified to perform their duties, but that they had discharged them conscientiously and, in the main, justly and equally. The board of audit therefore came to the conclusion that in most cases justice would be done by affirming the awards of the commission. In a few instances allowances were made where none had been awarded; in a few others the awards were increased and in some diminished. In all cases where the board changed the award, as also in a large number of others in which the awards were affirmed, the members of the board of audit personally inspected the premises, and otherwise sought information. Applying the principle laid down by the Attorney-General in regard to interest, it was allowed on the awards of the commission, but not in cases where the awards of the board of audit varied from those of the commission. The amount awarded in this class is \$84,689.57, and there remains to be acted upon other claims amounting to \$383,996.50.

Under the provisions of the act of the legislative assembly, referred to and adopted in the act of Congress of June 20, 1874, allowances were made only for damages that reduced the value of the property, and not for incidental injuries sustained by the owners in the loss of rents or of occupancy. Claims of the latter character were presented, considerable in amount, but were not allowed. Other claims, meritorious in their character, were offered, but could not be entertained because they had not been presented to the board of public works; all that were presented to that board were considered as regularly presented to the board of audit.

Eighth. Claims for sewer taxes or assessments paid by owners of real estate. This class was large in number, and, for those allowed, certificates were issued. The amount of these taxes collected, as shown by the collector's books, was \$557,688.52; the amount presented to the board of audit \$531,862.36; leaving unclaimed \$25,826.16.

The act constituting the board of audit provided that no claim should

be audited or allowed unless presented within ninety days after the first publication of notice to creditors to present their claims.

The limitation expired October 7, and after that date a considerable amount of claims not presented in time were offered for audit, by persons who had been ignorant of the law for or some other reason had failed to make due presentation of them.

It was regarded as the first duty of the board, after organization, to proceed to ascertain and certify to its creditors the liabilities of the District according to the classification contained in the act of Congress and specified in the notice set forth in the commencement of this report. In the discharge of that duty the board, with the aid of such accountants and assistants as could be advantageously employed, proceeded diligently until the latest hour to which the work could be continued; yet it is found that a full compliance with the requirements of the act of Congress was impossible. The result presents a very nearly accurate and reliable statement of the indebtedness of the District. The board has not been able, for want of sufficient time, to ascertain the amount equitably chargeable to the street-railroad companies on account of paving along and within the tracks of said companies, nor to examine into and audit the accounts of the officers of the board of public works, and of the District, as required by the act of Congress, and therefore no definite report can be made upon the accounts of those officers.

Appended hereto is a tabular statement of the funded debt of the District, and of the cities of Washington and Georgetown, exhibiting an aggregate of \$8,883,940.43, in addition to which the officers of the District hold certificates of the various issues, amounting to \$1,302,200, which, if sold, will increase the funded debt by that sum. Certificates bearing 8 per cent. interest were issued under act of the legislative assembly of May 29, 1873, for \$2,000,000, of which \$1,522,400 are outstanding. The board audited and issued certificates to the amount following, viz:

Class 1—sewer-certificates	\$808,942 29
Class 2—auditor's certificates	4,170,030 63
Class 3—auditor's and comptroller's certificates	1,897 06
Class 4—contracts, work on	1,088,757 84
Class 5—general claims against the District	82,547 43
Class 6—old material, property not issued
Class 7—damages to real property	84,689 57
Class 8—sewer-taxes	531,862 36
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	6,858,727 18

Claims outstanding and unadjusted:

Class 1	\$204,600 00
Class 2	314,113 89
Class 4	1,458,358 99
Class 5	297,797 09
Class 6	463,094 85
Class 7	383,996 50
Class 8	25,826 16
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	3,147,787 48

The unadjusted claims, classes 1, 2, 7, and 8, may be regarded as fixed claims against the District and subject to but slight variation, except by the addition of interest in the first three. Classes 4 and 5 will probably be diminished when audited, but, by a continuance of work under contracts, No. 4 will be ultimately increased.

As already stated, the board do not regard claims for property (No. 6) as a charge upon the general revenues of the District, but as properly chargeable against private property, and applicable in payment of special assessments for improvements. A full audit of these claims will not vary the amount stated to any considerable extent. A few certificates, for about \$17,000, were signed but not delivered, and therefore the full sum of this class is included among the unadjusted claims.

The aggregate of the ascertained debt of the District may be stated as follows:

Funded debt	\$8,883,940 43
Eight-per-cent. certificates.....	1,522,400 00
Certificates of the board of audit.....	6,858,727 18
	<hr/> 17,265,067 61

Adding to this the unadjusted claims, makes a total of \$20,412,855.09.

Assuming, as the board has assumed, that the claims for property do not constitute a debt upon the people of the District, and deducting the amount of those claims, \$463,094.85, from the above aggregate, leaves as the debt proper of the District, if the entire amounts of the unadjusted claims should be allowed, the sum of \$19,949,760.24.

Respectfully submitted.

R. W. TAYLER,
First Comptroller.
J. M. BRODHEAD,
Second Comptroller.

Statement of certificates of indebtedness issued under act of the legislative assembly dated May 29, 1873, and paid out by board of public works.

Name.	Interest.		Amount.
	Rate.	When payable.	
<i>Certificates of indebtedness.</i>			
No. 1 to 10,000 @ \$50, \$500,000	8 per cent.	July and January	\$2, 000, 000
No. 1 to 5,000 @ \$100, \$500,000			
No. 1 to 2,000 @ \$500, \$1,000,000			
Received by Geo. W. Beall, deputy comptroller, in payment of special assessments to November 30, 1874			477, 600
Balance outstanding December 1, 1874			1, 522, 400

Statement in detail of the interest on the bonds and stocks of the District of Columbia due and payable on the first day of January, 1875.

Title of bonds.	Interest.		Bonds outstanding.	Interest.
	Rate.	When payable.		
<i>Late corporation of Washington.</i>				
Certificates of stock.....	5 per ct. currency	January, April, July, and October.	\$54,807 00	\$685 08 currency.
Do.....	6 per ct. currency	do.....	685,517 22	10,282 75 currency.
Canal stock.....	do.....	January and July.....	48,800 00	1,464 00 currency.
Water stock.....	do.....	January, April, July, and October.	85,777 00	1,286 65 currency.
Ten-year bonds.....	do.....	January and July.....	351,400 00	10,542 00 currency.
Three-year certificates..	7.3 per ct. currency	do.....	3,100 00	113 15 currency.
<i>Late corporation of Georgetown.</i>				
General stock.....	6 per ct. currency.	January, April, July, and October.	180,885 00	2,713 27 currency.
Do.....	8 per ct. currency	do.....	20,000 00	400 00 currency.
Bounty stock.....	6 per ct. currency.	do.....	20,000 00	300 00 currency.
Market stock.....	do.....	do.....	30,804 21	462 06 currency.
<i>District of Columbia.</i>				
Washington funding bonds.	6 per ct. gold.....	January and July.....	1,150,000 00	34,500 00 gold.
Permanent-improvement bonds.	do.....	do.....	4,000,000 00	120,000 00 gold.
Do.....	7 per ct. currency	do.....	248,000 00	8,680 00 currency.
Do.....	do.....	do.....	530,000 00	18,500 00 currency.
Water-stock bonds.....	do.....	do.....	450,000 00	15,750 00 currency.
Market-stock bonds.....	do.....	do.....	152,400 00	5,334 00 currency.
Chicago-relief bonds.....	do.....	do.....	100,000 00	3,500 00 currency.
Water-stock bonds.....	do.....	do.....	26,000 00	910 00 currency.
County-school bonds.....	do.....	January, April, July, and October.	18,200 00	318 50 currency.
Georgetown water stock.	7.3 per ct. currency	January and July.....	8,500 00	310 25 currency.
Total interest due } January 1, 1875. }				{ 154,500 00 gold. 81,601 71 currency.
NOTE.—On the following bonds the interest is due and payable on the first day of May, 1875.				
<i>Late corporation of Washington.</i>				
Five-year bonds.....	7.3 per ct. currency	May and November...	192,450 00	7,024 42 currency.
<i>District of Columbia.</i>				
Washington funding bonds.	6 per ct. gold.....	May and November...	527,300 00	15,819 00 gold.

The foregoing is a full statement of the interest on the bonds and stocks of the District of Columbia becoming due on January 1, 1875, and on May 1, 1875.

Statement of the bonded debt of the District of Columbia existing December 5, 1874.

Title of bonds.	Date of act authorizing issue.	Interest.		Time to run or when due.	Amount.	Amount redeemed and on hand.		Amount outstanding.
		Rate.	When payable.			Redeemed or held by.	Amount.	
LATE CORPORATION OF WASHINGTON.								
Certificates of stock	Aug. 19, 1828, Congress.	5 per cent. currency...	Jan., Apr., July, and Oct.	10 years, (over due.)	.....	.....	.....	\$54,807 00
Do.....	Oct. 25, 1843, Congress.	6 per cent. currency...	Jan., Apr., July, and Oct.	At pleasure...	.....	.....	.....	655,517 22
Canal stock	Apr. 14, 1847, Congress.	do	Jan. and July	do .....	.....	.....	.....	48,800 00
Water stock	June 2, 1850, Congress.	do	Jan., Apr., July, and Oct.	10 years, (over due.)	.....	.....	.....	85,777 00
Ten-year bonds	Oct. 16, 1862, Congress.	do	Jan. and July	10 years .....	.....	.....	.....	351,400 00
Three-year certificates	July 7, 1870, Congress.	7.3 per cent. currency.	Jan. and July	3 years .....	.....	.....	.....	3,100 00
Five-year bonds	July 15, 1870, Congress.	do	May and Nov...	5 years .....	.....	.....	.....	192,450 00
LATE CORPORATION OF GEORGETOWN.								
General stock.....		6 per cent. currency...	Jan., Apr., July, and Oct.	At pleasure .....	.....	.....	.....	150,885 00
Do.....		8 per cent. currency...	Jan., Apr., July, and Oct.	do .....	.....	.....	.....	20,000 00
County stock		6 per cent. currency...	Jan., Apr., July, and Oct.	do .....	.....	.....	.....	20,000 00
Market stock		do	Jan., Apr., July, and Oct.	do .....	.....	.....	.....	30,804 21
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.								
Washington funding bonds, No. 1 to 675, of the denomination of \$1,000, amounting to \$675,000; No. 1 to 700, of the denomination of \$500, amounting to \$350,000; No. 1 to 2,500, of the denomination of \$50, amounting to \$125,000. Washington funding bonds, No. 1 to 1,100, of the denomination of \$1,000, amounting to \$1,100,000; No. 1 to 1,000, of the denomination of \$500, amounting to \$500,000; No. 1 to 500, of the denomination of \$100, amounting to \$50,000.	May 8, 1872, Congress.	6 per cent. gold	Jan. and July	July 1, 1892.	\$1,150,000	.....	.....	1,150,000 00
	June 20, 1872	do	May and Nov...	Nov. 1, 1902.	1,650,000 {	Held by commissioners District of Columbia. Held by commissioners sinking-fund.	\$450,000 672,700	527,300

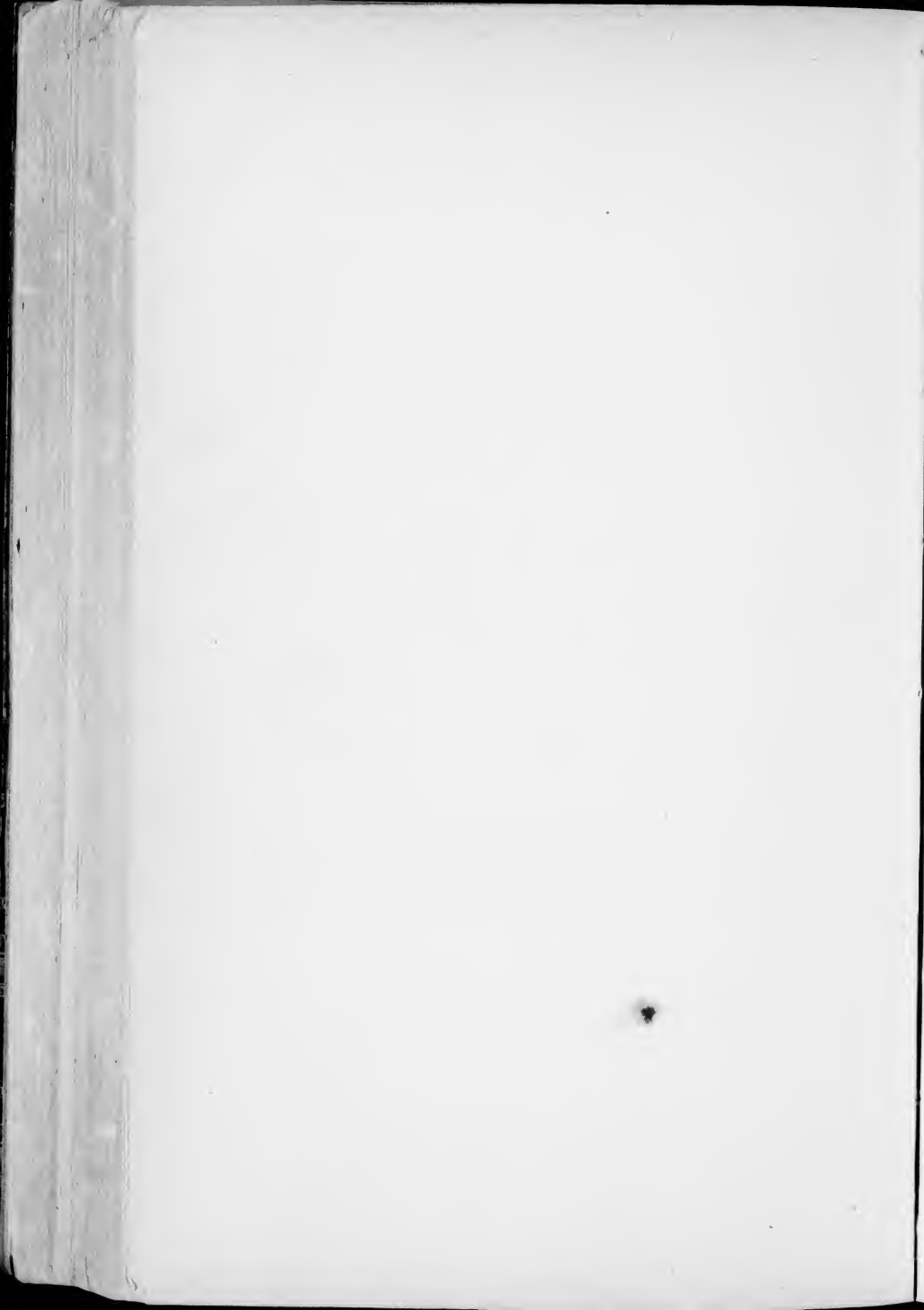
Statement of the bonded debt of the District of Columbia, &c.—Continued.

Title of bonds.	Date of act authorizing issue.	Interest.		Time to run or when due.	Amount.	Amount redeemed and on hand.		Amount outstanding.
		Rate.	When payable.			Redeemed or held by.	Amount.	
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—Continued.								
Permanent-improvement bonds, No. 1 to 500, of the denomination of \$50, amounting to \$25,000; No. 1 to 4,750, of the denomination of \$100, amounting to \$475,000; No. 1 to 3,000, of the denomination of \$500, amounting to \$1,500,000; No. 1 to 2,000, of the denomination of \$1,000, amounting to \$2,000,000.	July 10, 1871	6 per cent. gold	Jan. and July	July 1, 1891.....	\$4,000,000			\$4,000,000 00
Permanent-improvement bonds, No. 2,441 to 2,700, of the denomination of \$1,000, amounting to \$260,000.	June 23, 1873	7 per cent. currency.....	Jan. and July	July 1, 1891.....	260,000	Held by commissioners District of Columbia.	\$12,000	248,000 00
Permanent-improvement bonds, No. 2,801 to 2,440, of the denomination of \$1,000, amounting to \$240,000; No. 4,751 to 5,650, of the denomination of \$100, amounting to \$565,000.	June 25, 1873	.....do	Jan. and July	July 1, 1891.....	530,000			530,000 00
Water-stock bonds, No. 1 to 450, of the denomination of \$1,000, amounting to \$450,000.	July 20, 1871	.....do	Jan. and July	Oct. 1, 1901	450,000			450,000 00
Water-stock bonds, No. 451 to 485, of the denomination of \$1,000, amounting to \$485,000.	June 26, 1873	.....do	Jan. and July	July 1, 1903.....	35,000	Redeemed by commissioners sinking fund.	9,000	26,000 00
Market-stock bonds, 1 bond to W. W. Corcoran, amounting to \$100,000; No. 1 to 95, of the denomination of \$1,000, amounting to \$95,000; No. 1 to 200, of the denomination of \$500, amounting to \$100,000; No. 1 to 100, of the denomination of \$50, amounting to \$5,000.	Aug. 13, 1871, and June 19, 1872.	.....do	Jan. and July	July 26, 1892.....	300,000	Held by comptroller District of Columbia.	147,600	152,400 00
Chicago-relief bonds, dated January 1, 1872, for \$100,000, amounting to \$100,000.	Oct. 18, 1871	.....do	Jan. and July	Jan. 1, 1877	100,000			100,000 00
County-school bonds, No. 1 to 132, of the denomination of \$50, amounting to \$6,600; No. 1 to 32, of the denomination of \$500, amounting to \$16,000.	June 26, 1873	.....do	Jan. and July	{ July 1, 1874 { July 1, 1875 { July 1, 1876 { July 1, 1877	{ 22,600 500 3,850 50	Redeemed by commissioners sinking fund Held by comptroller District of Columbia Held by Treasurer United States.		18,200 00

Georgetown water-stock bonds, dated March 1, 1874; No. 1 to 36, of the de- nomination of \$500, amounting to \$15,000.	June 26, 1873	7.3 per cent. currency	Jan. and July	March 1, 1879	Held by District of Columbia. Held by United States.	6,000 500	8,500 00
Total outstanding.....							8,883,940 43

Against the above outstanding bonded debt of the District of Columbia there are the following assets in possession of the commissioners of the sinking-fund, viz: Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company bonds, \$75,000; Washington and Alexandria Railroad bonds, \$29,000.

The foregoing is a full statement of the bonded debt of the District of Columbia.



THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF HEALTH

OF THE

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

1874.

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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD OF HEALTH,

Washington, D. C., November 28, 1874.

To the President of the United States :

SIR : I have the honor to transmit the third annual report of the board of health of the District of Columbia, embracing its operations for the year ending thirtieth of September, eighteen hundred and seventy-four.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

D. W. BLISS,
Secretary.



REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.

Since the organization of the board of health of the District of Columbia, under act of Congress approved February 26, 1871, it has been the honest endeavor of those composing it faithfully to subserve the great and important objects contemplated in their appointment. Each member has contributed time and energy without pause or stint, and no pains have been spared to render the board a credit to the creating power and a lasting benefit to the community. The most casual observer cannot fail to perceive the steady and substantial progress which has been effected in all that relates to the public health. This is apparent in the abatement of grave nuisances and the inauguration of many wholesome reforms; the thorough inspection and analysis, chemical and microscopic, of articles of food; the precision and dispatch exhibited in official management and clerical duty; the increased zeal and efficiency of the corps of sanitary inspectors; the completion and practical application of a more perfect system of vital statistics; the establishment of intercourse with the health authorities of Europe by which valuable information of the management of health boards abroad and their results is rendered available; the organization (under the authority of the District commissioners) of an efficient and economic mode of providing for the medical care of the destitute poor, and by many other evidences of advancement in practical hygiene.

While recognizing, as one of the chief elements of success, the fostering care and liberal support of Congress in providing pecuniary means and appropriate legislation, I cannot be unmindful of the singularly prompt and cordial aid rendered by the community at large. With rare exceptions the encouragement and assistance of the citizens of the District have not been wanting. By their co-operation we have had our own labors materially lightened, and secured a much larger measure of success. When are considered the broad powers with which the board became suddenly invested at the period of its organization, and its prompt execution of the same in a community unaccustomed to sanitary restraints, the personal inconvenience and self-interest thus invaded for the security of a proposed public good, the general acquiescence of our citizens in, and their conformity to, abruptly-imposed health ordinances are most extraordinary, and indicate an unusual degree of intelligence and sense of moral obligation. No people have been more rapidly educated to the necessity of public hygiene or more profoundly inspired with the importance of personal sacrifice, whenever demanded, for the conservation of health and prevention of disease.

Not insensible to the aid and encouragement which have cheered them onward in the performance of duties not always agreeable in their execution, the grateful acknowledgments of the board are especially due the District commissioners, from whom they have invariably received the utmost courtesy, who have constantly indicated a lively interest in their proceedings, and have been ever prompt and cordial in supporting any measure deemed essential to the sanitary well-being of the District.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The report of the accomplished secretary of the board discloses the manner in which the work of his office has been conducted. The most complete order pervades the clerical department. The various and complex records so essential to the correct transaction of business are marked by a distinctness of chirography, an accuracy of detail, and a convenience of reference leaving nothing to be desired, while the accumulating files are so carefully preserved as to be available for the purposes of the board and the public at a moment's notice. This admirable precision is mainly due to the attentive and efficient chief clerk, whose long experience and faithful service eminently qualify him for the position he occupies. His efforts thus to render this department a model of correctness and efficiency have been materially aided by the earnest and devoted labors of his excellent assistant. Indeed, it may be said of the entire clerical force, as well as of the employés of other departments, that no officials could have labored more sedulously, in and out of season, in the interests of the board and the public.

The secretary refers to the inauguration of a correspondence with the governments of Europe upon subjects of sanitary science, and some of the letters treating the important health interests of foreign countries are presented in full. The correspondence already filed embraces an immense amount of most valuable material, (books, pamphlets, and manuscripts,) throwing much light on public hygiene, and giving in detailed form the subjects controlled by European commissions, the character of their internal organization, and the means by which their ordinances and regulations are enforced.

This great mass of useful information constitutes but a small part of what has been promised from foreign sources. Year after year the collected facts must become more valuable and suggestive, destined ultimately to assume the form of a library of useful sanitary knowledge, the practical importance of which can scarcely be estimated. The letter from Dr. Seropyan is full of interest. From it we learn that the board of health of the Ottoman Empire, located at Constantinople, is a mixed one, composed of delegates representing each of the foreign powers established near the Sublime Porte. Two things impress us in this connection: First, the inadvisability of frequent changes in the *personnel* of boards of health when fully established and in good working order. This efficient Ottoman board has been in existence thirty years, with no alteration in its membership, except such as may have been occasioned in the diplomatic relations of the governments represented in Turkey. The second significant feature is the independence of the board, in its administration, even of the government itself. It makes its own appointments, dismissals, and disbursements, and exercises sole and undisputed control over general and domestic quarantine. Thus constituted, uninfluenced by local legislation, independent, indeed almost despotic in its sanitary enforcements, what a vast amount of good has it not accomplished! It stands to-day the only effectual barrier against the plague and the various maladies advancing westward from Asia, the hot-bed of epidemics. It is a pregnant fact that out of the 180,000 pilgrims to Mecca during the past year there were but five deaths from chronic disease. Instead of being covered with filth and vermin, as in former times, these pilgrims are now subject to the rules and regulations of the mixed board. Cleanliness and medical attendance are among the great agencies by which disease and death are kept at bay. This letter also alludes to the efficacy of the mixed board in arresting

the march of cholera in 1872. How much does the whole eastern world owe to this magnificent health-organ for its bold, independent, and successful resistance to the most fatal and devastating of human maladies!

Nor is less interesting the dispatch of Mr. Delaplaine, chargé d'affaires of the United States at Vienna. By it we learn that the sanitary service in Austria embraces everything which directly or remotely affects the public health, including hospitals, general and special; baths, public and private; the hydrology of the country; the enforcement of laws respecting endemics, epidemics, diseases of cattle, quarantine, vaccination, poisons, medicaments, and the regulation of apothecaries. It also applies to the inspection of the dead; interments; exhumation; streets; roads; sewers; sinks; standing water; cattle, and meats. To these may be added control over foundlings, deaf-mutes, lunatics and idiots, and provision against the ingress and spread of contagious diseases. These and more extraordinary powers are set forth in Mr. Delaplaine's letter, which has been considered of sufficient importance for publication entire in the report of the secretary. This communication shows an appreciation of sanitary science and its practical uses, and the importance of having health-boards untrammelled in the exercise of their functions by political agencies or tardy and inadequate legislation, an appreciation to which, I am proud to believe, the public mind of America is rapidly tending.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The report of the treasurer is characterized by the usual accuracy which distinguishes that careful and conscientious officer, and presents an exhibit of economy in the distribution of the public funds which cannot fail of general approval. Indeed, the financial statement of the board may boldly challenge comparison with the expenditures of similar institutions elsewhere. The health-machinery of the District has been run at as little cost as possible, every dollar having been made to contribute to the sanitary wants of the people. According to the treasurer's statement, the receipts and disbursements are as follows:

Cash received from District of Columbia, as per legislative appropriation	\$10,687 29	
Cash from United States, act of June 22, 1874, (deficiency)	31,570 00	
Cash from United States, act of June 23, 1874	10,000 00	
Cash received from District of Columbia, act of June 23, 1874	5,000 00	
Making a total to be accounted for		\$57,257 29
Per contra, cash expended as per legislative appropriation is	\$10,687 29	
Cash expended, act of June 22, 1874, (deficiency)	31,570 00	
Cash expended, act of June 23, 1874	13,238 20	
Making a total expenditure of		55,495 49
And leaving a balance on hand of		1,761 80

It is noticeable that in no one year have the combined legislative and congressional appropriations for the board of health exceeded the sum of \$64,000, an unusually meager amount in view of the vast work to be accomplished. This is, of course, exclusive of the deficiency supplied by Congress, and rendered necessary on account of the extraordinary expenses in the suppression of the small-pox epidemic.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR.

This instructive and well-digested report, furnishing results of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, over which the registrar presides, and which

is subject to his immediate direction, foreshadows the advantages to be hereafter derived from the law of Congress, passed at its last session, and already in successful operation, which authorizes the board of health to "make and enforce regulations to secure a full and correct record of vital statistics, including the registration of deaths and interment of the dead in said District." Under the old system, no precise results could be obtained, as there was no means of enforcing compliance with the demands of the board seeking information as to the number and cause of deaths, sex, race, color of deceased, and other conditions essential to a complete mortuary exhibit. Returns were considered voluntary, and were, therefore, sadly neglected. Carefully collected and tabulated as was this old arrangement, the conclusions reached were unreliable, approximating, as they did, only remotely the true vital statistics of the District. Hereafter the board will be able to present what is so desirable, but heretofore wholly impracticable, a comparison of mortality, from year to year, thus arriving at the precise sanitary condition of our cities, as well as the relation of atmospheric changes to the development of certain maladies. Turning from the crude and unsatisfactory method heretofore practiced, we may congratulate ourselves on the fact, already recognized, that few of the cities can boast at this time of so complete a registration of deaths as that presented weekly by the careful and energetic officer having this work in charge. Much attention has been paid to the proper classification of disease, and physicians generally fully comprehend the importance of contributing to the accuracy of the vital records by returning the title of a disease only after most cautious investigation and diagnosis.

The registrar's report, after alluding to the important practical results of the enforcement of the new regulations, refers to the objections urged by the medical association of the District, and which were so satisfactorily settled after full and free conference and interchange of opinion, the board indorsing the suggestions and recommendations of the faculty. In this connection he pays a just tribute to the prompt appreciation of and acquiescence in the regulations, by the medical gentlemen of the District, as evinced by the prompt registration of their names, places of residence, and the colleges at which they were graduated. Similar promptness in the record of their names and places of business has been practiced by midwives, undertakers, and sextons, in a book provided for that purpose. In the matter of births the comparison is instituted between the numbers reported under the old and the recent system, showing that the whole number of births reported for the year was 1,574; that 593 of these were registered in the months of August and September, during which the new law was in operation, and in the ten remaining months, under the old plan, only 981 were placed on record. This clearly demonstrates the difference between a voluntary system and one obligatory, conducted under the sanction of positive legal enactment. The total number of deaths reported for the year ending September 30, 1874, is 2,637, 17.58 per 1,000 of the entire population of the District. Of this number the very small proportion of deaths from zymotic diseases (653) indicates the successful efforts of the board of health in diminishing the causes which give rise to this class of maladies, proving at the same time that they are completely under the control of preventive sanitary measures, vigorously enforced. In proportion to the means supplied, and the energy intelligently expended in the abatement of nuisances injurious to health, will this class of fatal maladies gravitate toward its minimum of production and fatality. In alluding to the diarrheal forms of zymotic diseases, usually

so prevalent and destructive during the summer-months, the report states the total number of deaths therefrom as only 363, 13.39 per cent. of the total annual mortality, or 2.42 per 1,000 of the entire population. The largest number of deaths during the year have resulted from phthisis pulmonalis, (pulmonary consumption,) the whole being 436, 16.53 per cent. of the entire mortality, or 2.09 per 1,000. This is a significant and suggestive fact. It is also worthy of remark that upon a careful computation the number of colored persons dying from this cause fully duplicates that of the white victims of this appalling disease.

Both the report of the registrar and the statement of the medical sanitary inspector show the usual extraordinary proportion of deaths in infancy and early childhood. No subject is more worthy the attention of sanitarians than the excessive mortality prevailing among this class of our population. Of deaths in our large cities it may be safely asserted that at least one-half occur in the early periods of life. Dr. Hartsborne, in his late instructive essay before the American Health Association, divides the causes of death in infancy into *ante natal* and *post natal*. Under the former head he enumerates "constitutional defects in parents, resulting especially from alcoholism, syphilis, scrofulosis, debility from overwork, and underfeeding in the poorer classes; in those more prosperous, excess of nervous temperament and deficient organic development in women who become mothers." These conditions unquestionably debilitate the offspring of diseased parents, and render them peculiarly vulnerable to the causes operating to shorten life. Among the earliest *post-natal* causes of death is undoubtedly the attendance upon the mother of ignorant and irresponsible midwives. Besides the liability to fatal accident during parturition, the rough handling and tying of the umbilical cord is known to lead often to a species of lockjaw (*trismus neonatorum*) occurring within a few days succeeding delivery. A want of knowledge of the first principles of hygiene on the part of stupid nurses, exposing the child to improper or deficient food, inadequate ablution, overheating or extreme alterations of temperature, will easily account for the many deaths occurring in the first stages of life. The law should interfere, compelling midwives to be examined and licensed by a duly-qualified board of accoucheurs, and nurses to give evidence of suitable knowledge of the rules of health and the requirements of the lying-in room. The absence of the maternal nourishment and the substitution of impure or largely diluted food are among the prolific causes of infantile disorder. Milk, the true food of infants, if not rendered actually poisonous by the improper feeding of cows, is often so far thinned as to contain an exceedingly moderate percentage of nutritive material. Impure air, especially when accompanied by a high grade of temperature, kills thousands annually in our cities—and here the sanitarian has a great work to do. Clean streets and alleys and the removal of filth from the vicinity of private residences as surely diminish infant mortality as the opposite conditions increase it. To that great army of poor children who cannot be removed from the city to the country during the heated term, shaded parks and inclosures are beyond value in a sanitary view. A distinguished physician of this city has suggested the erection of tents beyond the city limits during the summer-months for indigent mothers and their infants. This proposition, in its sanitary aspect, is entitled to consideration. By it doubtless thousands of lives might be annually saved which are now lost in the close, foul atmosphere of dilapidated tenement-houses and filthy shanties.

We have referred to this subject because of its intrinsic interest and

great sanitary importance. Under the admirable health system of England the percentage of deaths among infants has sensibly declined within the past few years, and it requires only the authority and means which should be accorded all health organizations to enable them to bring about similar results. One fact is clearly deducible from the report, that a large proportion of the mortality to which I have alluded is due to causes under the control of sanitary regulations promptly and thoroughly enforced. The large infant mortality of Washington and Georgetown, indicated by the tables, is due, as in other cities, to a neglect of proper hygienic precautions. As already stated, bad sewerage, filthy streets and alleys, ill-ventilated houses, and impure or insufficient food are the constantly-operating causes which destroy our cherished offspring. Responsible for this wholesale slaughter of the innocents are not only careless and inconsiderate parents, but ignorant and reckless engineers, architects, and city officials, who, animated by mercenary considerations, refuse to provide suitable means of air and exercise so essential to infants, or other modes of contributing to their physical sanity and development.

In this connection I cannot avoid making mention of the superior sanitary advantages possessed by Washington in her public parks, squares, and reservations. Under the directing taste, energy, and skill of the accomplished Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds (General O. E. Babcock) these improvements have become among the most attractive and beneficial features of the city. To this gentleman, whose intelligence and official capacity are only excelled by his broad, comprehensive humanity, this community owes a debt of gratitude which coming generations will not suffer to be forgotten. The young and comparatively helpless part of our population especially realize the benefit of his skill and benevolence. To the little innocents, struggling for life during the heated term, the cool shades and fresh airs of these leafy inclosures are indeed a godsend. Nor are larger children excluded from the advantages of air and exercise in these places of recreation. The park, for example, adjacent to the Franklin public school, has been thrown open to the scholars of that institution, and is thronged daily by happy girls and boys during the morning recess. Our good general considers the small damage resulting to grass and shrubbery by little feet and fingers as nothing when compared with the healthy development of the children, and only requires (what Congress should generously grant) additional means to extend still further the facilities already shared by old and young for enjoyment and healthful recreation.

The report, which has suggested much subject for thought and discussion, concludes with a return of thanks to the Chief Signal-Officer of the War Department for the regular meteorological statistics furnished the board, and which are so intimately connected with accurate mortuary exhibits.

I cannot dismiss this part of my report without congratulating the board on the zeal, energy, and practical ability displayed by the registrar in his efforts to render as perfect as possible the department of vital statistics. Under the direction of his trained judgment and executive experience, still more complete and gratifying results may be confidently anticipated.

COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

This committee, through its distinguished chairman, presents an interesting and comprehensive exhibit of its labors during the official year. These refer to certain ordinances, rules, and regulations, as well

as a description of record-books and blank forms essential to the operations of the board. The former comprises an ordinance "to prevent the transportation of certain decomposing and offensive substances in other than covered and inclosed vehicles," and amendments to sections 12, 13, and 14 of "an ordinance to declare what shall be deemed nuisances injurious to health," passed May 15, 1871. Also, "certain rules and regulations adopted to secure a full and correct record of vital statistics," passed July 10, 1874. In this connection is introduced in full the correspondence between the medical association of the District of Columbia and this board upon certain objections offered by the former to the practical effect of the regulations made pursuant to a law of Congress. After an interchange of various communications an oral conference took place at the health rooms, at which the board of health and a committee from the association were present. The difficulty was effectually harmonized upon a basis alike just and honorable to both parties, and the cordial acquiescence in and support of the regulations, as modified, on the part of the physicians of the District, is but another proof of the promptness and disinterestedness with which a humane profession rallies to the support of whatever tends to promote the public advantage. The correspondence is furnished between the board and a committee of ministers of the gospel in regard to the information required of them in order to a more complete system of vital statistics. Able and exhaustive reports have also been prepared by the committee on ordinances, which received the sanction of the board, upon the following subjects:

The abatement of the nuisance of stagnant water on lots below grade.

The disposition of stable manure.

The removal of the dead from the Western Burying-Ground, (Holmead's.)

The removal of night-soil by the odorless excavating process.

In the case of the board against the owner of a notorious soap and bone-boiling establishment on G street, in which the decision of the presiding judge was adverse to the board, (a distinguished associate justice on the bench, however, expressing at the time an able dissenting judgment,) all the various views, together with the ordinance, were, by instruction, submitted to Hon. Mr. Lawrence, of Ohio, for his opinion as to the powers of the board in the premises, and the mode of making them effectual. The comprehensive views of Judge Lawrence, added to this report, (Appendix B,) will not be without interest to the reader, characterized, as they are, by unusual perspicuity and logical directness.

SANITARY COMMITTEE.

The chairman of this committee furnishes the result of its labors during the past year in the form of reports upon the following subjects:

Vaccination service; duties of the board of health in reference thereto.

Regarding the location and condition of cemeteries, and the effect of the same on the public health.

In relation to the "Ebenezer" and Western Burying-Grounds, (Holmead's.)

The ventilation of sewers, and the mode of cleaning sewer-traps.

Ozone; its effects upon the health of human beings, and mode of generating the same.

Regarding the establishment of a bureau of inspection of food offered for sale in the cities of Washington and Georgetown.

These reports are full and suggestive on the subjects of which they treat, and evince much ability and research bestowed upon their preparation.

OZONE.

Although the subject of ozone is one of great interest to scientific explorers, as intimated in the report of the committee, little is definitely known in regard to it; and, therefore, all practical inferences deduced from its investigation are to be regarded *cum grano salis*. Dr. Fox, in his "Ozone and Antezone," has probably treated the whole subject more completely than any other writer, and his views are, therefore, entitled to consideration. That it is an important agent, capable of great sanitary usefulness as a destroyer of putrid emanations, as well as of great mischief (when in excess) as an irritant to the mucous surfaces, no one can doubt. Its presence is often attended by the destruction of organic material in the atmosphere, and the subsidence or mitigation of diseases resulting from or aggravated by these agencies. On the contrary, the most violent epidemics of catarrh and other affections of the mucous membrane have succeeded the presence of ozone in more concentrated form. The whole subject treated by the committee is one of increasing interest, and although little is yet certainly known as to its peculiar qualities and effects, and especially its adaptation to practical uses, we look forward hopefully to investigations now in progress, which may yet make us practically familiar with this most subtle and potent agent.

BURIAL OF THE DEAD.

Another suggestive topic upon which the committee report is that of cemeteries, and a number of valuable hints are presented in this connection.

The proper disposition of the dead has ever been a problem the solution of which increases in difficulty as the world becomes more densely populated. Although decomposition goes on much more slowly in some kinds of soils than in others, the body must at last, wherever buried, be resolved into its original elements, and fetid odors and poisonous gases escape from the remains, not only offensive to the living but pernicious to health and life. The embalment of the dead among the Egyptians was partly, no doubt, a sanitary measure, since both the soil and climate of the Nile country favored the rapid decay of animal matter. Prejudices in favor of this or that mode of disposing of the dead, while entitled to respect, should always yield to sanitary considerations. To the deceased it matters not what disposition is made of the dissolving body; to the survivor, in a sanitary view, it becomes a subject of serious concern. Recently the old usage of incineration has been revived, and has rallied to its support many intelligent advocates both in Europe and America. Parkes, a very high English authority on hygiene, condemns inhumation as the most insanitary of all methods. Both air and water in the vicinity of grave-yards, he contends, are subject to contamination, and become the sources of disease to the living. He rejects the suggestion of close or air tight vaults, on account of the immense expense attending their use. If burial be practiced, he prefers deep interment, as having the advantage of "greater filtration both for air and water than shallow burying." At the same time rapidly-growing trees or shrubs are recommended as more efficacious for absorbing carbonic acid than evergreens. His preference is for sea burial, where it can be practiced, rather than incineration. "When in the course of years," he remarks, "it becomes imperative to reconsider this question, and laud-burial will have to be modified, many arguments will present themselves to maritime nations in favor of burying in the sea rather than of burn-

ing. It is true that the impurities in burning can be well diffused into the atmosphere at large, and would not add to it any perceptible impurity; but if the burning is not complete, fetid organic matters are given off, which hang cloud-like in the air, and may be perceptible, and even hurtful. As a matter of expense, too, the system of incineration would be greater than the burial at sea. In the burial at sea some of the body would go at once to support other forms of life more rapidly than in the case of land-burial, and without the danger of evolution of hurtful products; and in the vast abyss of the ocean the remains would rest until the trumpet shall sound which shall order the sea to give up its dead."

Other subjects of equal or greater importance are treated by the committee which will repay attentive perusal.

HEALTH-OFFICER'S REPORT.

The health-officer's report exhibits the sanitary operations under his supervision as executive officer; embracing nine separate departments—general sanitary inspection, inspection of markets and groceries, inspection of marine products, removal of night-soil, removal of garbage, pound-service, medical sanitary inspection, service of physicians to the poor, and service of apothecaries to the poor. In all of these departments he reports results indicating faithfulness and efficiency in a high degree. It appears that there have been 27,776 nuisances reported to him and abated during the year; \$18,821.74 worth of food condemned and destroyed; 2,705 animals impounded; 16,000 loads of garbage removed; 4,410 dead animals removed; 42,877 boxes cleaned; 1,723 premises sewered; 277 stagnant-water lots filled; 389 houses condemned; 118 cases referred to the attorney of the board; 1,775 telegrams received and sent; 1,961 complaints of citizens acted upon; 1,521 official letters written; and, since September 15, 1874, 296 poor persons treated; \$181.65 expended on medicine for the poor; 48 bodies of paupers buried at public expense, all of which have been accurately recorded in the books of the health-office—certainly a magnificent showing, which evinces incessant activity and vigilance on the part of those whose daily duties have contributed to this aggregate. He calls attention to the increasing facility with which nuisances are abated, and the growing disposition on the part of the citizens of the District to respond promptly to the sanitary exactions of the board.

In regard to the alleys of this city, he states that improvements in their condition have been made in some sections, and the paved alleys are now satisfactorily swept; but he nevertheless believes them to be, in their present condition, particularly when inhabited, great evils, as affecting seriously the sanitary interests of the District, being unavoidably filthy, owing to their construction, and the depository of every kind of refuse, thrown away by people bordering upon them. He suggests the remedy: concrete pavements, sewers and traps, flushing with Potomac water, disposal of the squalid shanties that line them, lighting and numbering of houses; and subjecting them to the same public regulations as the streets and avenues. The garbage service, he remarks, was never as satisfactorily or economically performed as now. There is rarely a complaint of neglect, the collectors being zealous and faithful. He recommends that their pay be increased from \$2.40 to \$3 per diem.

He calls the special attention of the board to the class of houses into which the very poor are crowded, of which three hundred and eighty-

nine were condemned, and urges that stringent laws be passed and executed governing the character of dwellings fit for human occupation.

Of slaughter-houses he reports comparatively few complaints, the owners being careful to keep them quite free of offense. He refers, however, to the subject of abattoirs as a sanitary desideratum, and recommends immediate action toward the accomplishment of this essential improvement.

He calls attention to the large number of stagnant-water lots filled, and the great benefit to health accruing therefrom.

He particularly points to the marshy banks of the Eastern Branch and Potomac as sources of malarial poison, urging some effective progress in the direction of this most glaring of nuisances.

He recommends as important the substitution of cemented vaults below the surface of the ground in lieu of privy-boxes now in use, and calls attention to the great injury now resulting from these receptacles, filled with fermenting fecal matter, some thirty or forty tons constantly remaining distributed in all parts of the city.

He calls attention to the fact that the inspections during the past year have brought to light much defective plumbing—water-closets and sinks without traps—and urges such legislative enactment or regulation as shall hold all concerned in this work to a strict accountability, and that a special inspector of private sewers and traps be detailed.

He gives in detail the enormous quantities of food consumed in the District during the year, and refers to the great advantage growing out of the careful and authoritative inspection of food, quotes from the regulations adopted in Prussia, and presents the report of B. F. Craig, M. D., chemist to the board, on the analyses of seventy-two specimens of groceries submitted to him for analysis. He presents also the detailed reports of the inspectors of provisions and marine products.

In connection with the report of the pound-service, showing the number of the various animals impounded during the year, he urges that new ordinances or laws be modified or amended in regard to the muzzling of dogs in the summer season.

The report of the medical sanitary inspector is submitted, and in that connection the health-officer calls attention to the great benefits resulting from this service, and its bearing upon the subject of pauperism in the large cities.

He also gives a tabular statement of the work accomplished by the physicians and apothecaries to the poor of the District, showing their several sanitary divisions, and also demonstrating the actual saving likely to result from the present system of conducting the service to be nearly \$20,000 per annum, while the benefits resulting to the people are in no degree diminished, but, on the contrary, the deserving poor are promptly and intelligently served.

The entire report of the health-officer is replete with interesting information, and fully confirms the high estimate entertained of his superior fitness for the office, and the uniform zeal and activity of the corps of inspectors and employes acting under his direction.

REPORT OF THE ATTORNEY TO THE BOARD.

This report presents an able and satisfactory exhibit of the proceedings of the attorney's office. It appears that the number of prosecutions during the year were 170, of suits 168; number of cases discarded or nolle-prosequed 62; number dismissed by court, 3; number of appeals, 10; number disposed of in appellate court, 8; amount of fines imposed

by courts, \$907.33; number of legal opinions rendered the board, 15. It is worthy of mention, as appears from this report, that resistance to the ordinances and regulations of the board has uniformly resulted in the conviction of the offending parties. The aggregate fines, as already stated, exceed nine hundred dollars.

NECESSARY LEGISLATION.

Ample as are the powers of the board in certain directions, additional legislation should be invoked in order to the more perfect control of certain insanitary agencies not covered by or but partially included in existing laws. For example, where lots containing stagnant water are owned by non-residents, the board of health should have the power of abating the nuisance, and of assessing the property in order to cover the expense of such abatement. No reason exists why a tax should not be imposed in this as in other improvements. The same rule should apply to all nuisances found on premises, the owners of which are non-resident or cannot be found.

The penalty of neglect or refusal to comply with notice to abate should be fine, coupled with an order of the court compelling immediate compliance on the part of the delinquent.

The health-officer and his inspectors should have power to search premises wherever nuisances are supposed to exist.

When the duty of abating certain nuisances is vested in one or more of the civil authorities, upon information rendered by the board of the existence of such nuisances, and the failure of such authority to abate, the board should have the right promptly to act, especially when the grievance is imminent and the necessity of its removal urgent.

The power to make and enforce suitable quarantine regulations is also indispensable. During the late prevalence of small-pox, persons in advanced stages of this loathsome malady not unfrequently came by land and water to this city, mingling with impunity in the throngs upon our streets and thoroughfares. This is but one instance of many where the board of health should be clothed with authority for preventing ingress into the District of those suffering from contagious or epidemic diseases.

Whatever is dangerous to life and limb should be placed under the cognizance and disposition of the board of health.

The inspection and general supervision of hospitals supplied wholly or partially at public expense should also be the province of the board of health, as well as the determination of worthy objects of charity, and the issuing of permits of admission into such institutions.

The act of the legislature in relation to draining certain lots, &c., should be so modified as to make it the duty of the commissioners to drain the lots and assess the cost, whenever the owners refuse to comply with the notice of the board of health, and the board report such refusal.

The cleansing of alleys and sewer-traps and the removal of offal should surely be part of the duty of the same authority.

The necessity of prompt drainage to the sound sanitary condition of towns and cities cannot be too highly regarded. This should be done early, before the soil becomes saturated with organic matter in a state of decay. The neglect of this precaution has exposed for years the residents in the extreme northwestern section of the city to constant incursions of malarial fever in the spring and autumn. Attention to this most important part of sanitary duty should not be longer delayed.

Germane to this subject may be considered pavements in their rela-

tion to the health of cities, involving their durability, comparative noiselessness, and freedom from vegetable decay, as well as their accumulation and lodgment of street-filth. This theme is an ample one, and embraces the questions of construction and material, which we are not now called upon to treat, were we indeed competent to do so.

SLAUGHTER-HOUSES—ABATTOIRS.

The killing of animals in populated locations, besides being a source of great annoyance to residents in the vicinity, is unquestionably a serious injury to health. No system of inspection, however faithfully executed, can preserve slaughter-houses in large cities, or in their thickly-populated suburbs, in a condition of entire purity and innocuousness. Such nuisances, including the results of slaughtering, as bone-boiling, fat-rendering, &c., should be removed to a safe distance beyond the limits of population, and if possible concentrated in one establishment, where all these occupations could be conducted in the most approved manner, with greater profit, and with far more regard to the health of communities.

This leads me to the subject of abattoirs, which have been for a long time in successful operation in some parts of Europe, and are being rapidly introduced into our own country. Tardieu, a European writer, thus refers to the advantages of this arrangement: "We must point out," he observes, "that the establishment of communal and public abattoirs is of capital importance as regards the butchers' trade and the exercise of supervision over the kind as well as quality of the meat. Beasts intended for food are taken directly to the abattoirs, where a special inspection, intrusted to competent men, is carried out. It is forbidden to slaughter in these public establishments animals suffering or supposed to be suffering from contagious diseases, and especially from malignant pustule or entozoic diseases. Animals suffering from other diseases cannot be slaughtered without the consent of the inspectors of the slaughter-houses, nor, in case of doubt, without the previous advice of a veterinary surgeon. Animals which happen to die in the abattoirs are treated in the same way. Lastly, the meat, whether of oxen, sheep, or pigs, must be inspected after the animals are slaughtered, and seized whenever it is found to be spoiled, tainted, or unfit for food."

The importance of combining the slaughtering of animals, the rendering of fat, and bone-boiling in one place, with improved machinery, by which every part of the animal, including the blood, may be saved and applied to valuable uses, cannot be too highly estimated. The advantage of abattoirs to communities in supplying meats from animals properly inspected both before and after killing, and carefully slaughtered, thus protecting the consumer against fatigued or diseased animals, is eminently worthy of consideration. The abattoir now in operation in Boston, in the construction of which the butchers themselves cordially co-operated, meets with universal approval, and the city congratulates itself on not only being relieved of previously existing nuisances, but upon being furnished with meat of unquestioned soundness and superior quality. It demonstrates that these establishments, properly constructed and managed, constitute a great public boon, in that they abate certain grave sources of disease. Perhaps no slaughtering institution of this character, certainly in this country, excels that of Jersey City. Here the slaughtering of animals for food is reduced to a science; neatness and order everywhere prevail in this abattoir, and the health of the community is correspondingly enhanced. The Evening Journal, pub-

lished at Jersey City, thus alludes to this interesting structure and the good it accomplishes. After referring to the abattoir buildings and grounds, their extent and superior fitness, the writer remarks :

"The success is so great, so undoubted, that all the slaughtering business should be by law required to be done in just such establishments as this abattoir. It has been in active operation since January 26, of this year, and the experience of its working, both in the winter and summer seasons, is sufficient to satisfy even the most incredulous. Not a single complaint has ever been made of any nuisance caused by the presence or work of the abattoir. As an illustration, it may be mentioned that for months the steamships of the White Star line transacted their business at their docks, within one hundred and thirty feet of the abattoir, and not a complaint of any stench, or anything else offensive arising from the place, was ever made. Neither the officers of the vessels nor the passengers were made aware, by anything disagreeable, that so close to them the largest cattle-slaughtering establishment in the world was in active operation.

"The offal, refuse matter, and blood from slaughtered animals are all taken away from the abattoir in close cars or boats twice each day. Nothing foul is allowed to be discharged into the river. There is more filth daily emptied from any one of our large sewers in this city than escapes from the abattoir in a month. The sanitary regulations of the whole establishment are perfect, and the rules are rigidly enforced. These are all under the sole and absolute control of the Abattoir Company ; no individual dealer or butcher having any authority in the matter, and all being required to conform to the regulations. The yards, which cover acres in extent, are thoroughly cleansed every day and all material is removed. These yards are cleaner than the average of our public streets.

"No hogs are killed at the abattoir. That work is all done at the other part of the company's works, out on the Hackensack meadows, and the worst part of the slaughtering business is thus prevented from causing any nuisance. The dressed pork only is brought to the great abattoir on the river-front in the city. The old and serious nuisance of driving cattle through the streets is avoided by this company. All cattle are brought to the grounds in cars or boats, and all the products of the abattoir are taken away in the same manner. We cannot, in this article, give the reader a full idea of the extent of the business done at the abattoir, but a few facts will suffice. It is not yet worked up to its full capacity. Since January 26, 1874, there have been received at the abattoir an average of 6,000 cattle a week, or 1,000 a day, and 2,000 of these have been slaughtered there each week. The rest are sold to be slaughtered elsewhere.

"Of sheep, 10,000 a week are received, and all these are slaughtered at the abattoir. The hog-yards on the meadows have a hog-killing capacity of 10,000 a day, and the yards will store 20,000 live hogs. The entire working capacity of the abattoir itself will be, when all complete and in use, sufficient to yard, feed, and slaughter 10,000 cattle and 30,000 sheep each week. This will give our readers some adequate notion of the extent of the business. The projectors, proprietors, and managers of this abattoir deserve unqualified praise for the manner in which this enterprise has been conducted, and are to be congratulated on their success.

"All practical, scientific, and medical men who have visited and inspected the workings of the establishment have united in pronouncing it the most complete and perfect abattoir in the world; and Jersey City

should be proud of it as a business enterprise, and should encourage its owners and managers. The people of other cities can find here an example worthy of imitation, for, with the same, system and equal skill, energy, and thorough administration, the business of killing cattle, sheep, and hogs, and supplying the public with meats, can be done elsewhere as successfully as it is being done here."

This important subject was considered at the late meeting of the American Health Association at Philadelphia, near which city an abattoir is about to be constructed. Dr. Hartshorne introduced certain resolutions, which were adopted, declaring that "for a city, one properly arranged and conducted abattoir, subject to municipal regulations, is always preferable to a number of private slaughter-houses." Another resolution recommends that such establishments should be "located, as far as practicable, at a distance from the centers of population, and, if possible, upon tide-water." It is to be hoped that this subject will engage the earnest attention of our citizens, and considered, as it must soon be, in the light of a necessary sanitary reform. No superior locations for a well-regulated abattoir can be found than those in the vicinity of Washington, where abundance of pure water is accessible for the purpose of slaughtering, and deep convenient harborage for transporting by steam tugs and barges, as well as facilities for railway carriage. No time should be lost in inaugurating a reform so essential to the comfort and health of our citizens. Our intelligent and enterprising butchers will not fail to perceive that both credit and profit will be attained by heartily co-operating in so commendable a movement.

NIGHT-SOIL.

The proper removal of human excreta has been one of the vexed problems of centuries. Shall it be carried away through public sewers? Is it practicable perfectly to avoid the reflux of sewer gases into human dwellings by the best known construction of these conduits? And, if practicable, is it not of paramount consideration to utilize the excremental material in such manner as to improve agriculture, and thus contribute to the substantial wealth of the nation? These questions have been exhaustively discussed. In some cities of Europe only the surface drainage, waste water, and slops are allowed to enter the public sewer. While trusting that such a reform may soon become universal, we must treat the whole subject from the existing standpoint. Hopeful as we may be of the period in the near future when not a drop of urine or particle of solid excremental matter shall enter the common sewer, but when all the excreta shall be utilized, we are convinced that epoch has not yet been reached. We must see now that a necessary evil be placed under the best possible condition for the conservation of health. Until water-closets shall be abolished, as they must be in the progress of time, we must endeavor to render them as far as possible void of offense and detriment. In the first place careless plumbing should be avoided. Every house-builder should be sure that no flimsy workmanship, no defective construction, or disregard of sanitary precautions be allowed in buildings for private residence or public use. Let him look to it that traps to waste-pipes are constructed as they should be; that the joints are properly cemented or leaded, and that the connections with the sewer are perfect, with traps to prevent the escape of sewer gases through the pipe into the building. A house once imperfectly put together, it becomes too late to prevent accruing mischief to health and life. Little does the mechanic

realize the serious damage which defective sewerage, imperfect water-closets, and inadequate ventilation inevitably engender. *Obsta principiis*, (attack the beginnings,) was never applied with more force than to the subject of which we treat. Let nothing go into the dwelling which violates the laws of health and invites the most fatal maladies. Supposing the plumber's work to be perfect, the location of the water-closet is important. If possible, it should never be placed in the center of the building, but against the external wall. When not in use the lid should be always down, and the valve be capable of action without lifting the lid. Parke, in reference to water-closets, remarks that the "points to be looked to in examining closets are: First, that the pan is nearly a cone, and not a half circle with a flat bottom; second, that the amount and force of water is sufficient to sweep everything out of the syphon; third, that the soil-pipe is ventilated below the syphon by being carried up to the top of the house; fourth, that the junction of syphons and soil-pipes and the length of the soil-pipe are perfect."

The true method of constructing closet and other drains from the interior is at the connection of the house-drain with lateral drain to the sewer. A deep box-trap should be placed, having a gas-vent from its upper surface to the roof of the building, this gas-vent being separate from all other portions of the plumbing-pipes.

In regard to the removal of night-soil from vaults and privy-boxes, a word in addition to what has been so well expressed by the health officer will not be considered inappropriate. The board of health, when organized, found existing in the District no graver nuisance than that by which human excreta was removed from the usual places of primary deposit. The noisy night-cart, disturbing the slumber of the citizens, reeking with disgusting odors, making its slow transit through streets and thoroughfares by night, giving out at every step of its progress the germs of fatal diseases, seems now like a troubled dream compared with the method at present in use. Armed by Congress with plenary power to abate such a nuisance, the board of health boldly assailed this growing mischief, and controlled it. Anxiety was felt to discover some method by which, while effectually removing the contents of vaults and privies, neither offense nor injury to health might ensue. There was then in use in New York an apparatus upon the principle of the sealed tank and suction pump, in regard to which a correspondence was held with the board of health of that city. Subsequently, a committee of the board visited New York for the purpose of witnessing its operations, and returned favorably impressed. Not long after the machine itself was brought to Washington for the purpose of testing its merits, and the mayor, city council, and health commissioner of our neighboring city of Baltimore invited to be present. The experiment was publicly made, when, to our great mortification and dismay, the apparatus proved, if not an utter failure, a very partial and unsatisfactory success. The board continued its researches, discussions were held weekly, and experiments made indicating the desire felt to discover some more efficient mode of correcting this serious evil. The objects to be obtained were the removal of human excreta from vaults and privy-boxes in an inoffensive and innoxious manner, and to transfer the same to a point beyond the District limits. An apparatus was at last offered by the "Odorless Excavating Apparatus Company," and submitted to the utmost scrutiny. It consists of a portable pump for raising the contents of the vault, with valves of peculiar construction, an air-tight tank into which the material is discharged through conducting-hose, and a charcoal furnace in which the noxious gases are con-

sumed and rendered odorless. This apparatus in its successful operations seemed to leave nothing to be desired. Nevertheless, conditions were likely to occur in cities supplied with vaults which must be provided against; for example, when the excremental matter becomes hard or solid on account of the sandy or porous nature of the soil absorbing the fluid portion, and, therefore, not perfectly removable by the pump. To obviate this difficulty the inventor has devised a simple awning, inclosing the door-way of the privy, so as to screen the operation of filling the air-tight barrels used in this connection, and at the same time to prevent the escape of noxious gases by consuming them in a furnace attached to the awning. After being satisfied that this apparatus would accomplish thoroughly the work, a contract was entered into with the company for the period of one year, requiring the emptying of privy-boxes in the day-time without the least offense, and the prompt delivery of their contents at certain wharves, from which the removal to the place of final deposit becomes the duty of another party. At the expiration of the year, and, consequently, of this contract, proposals were issued for the means of continuing this work, and a number of competing methods were presented for the consideration of the board.

Much time and attention were devoted to experiments with the various machines offered, and the conclusion became inevitable that the apparatus previously adopted was the best in use, and thoroughly accomplished the purpose desired. Accordingly a contract was entered into with the same parties for five years, and the condition annexed that if at the expiration of three years any better method should be discovered, then the contract to be considered null and void.

The board of health and the community especially deserve to be congratulated upon the successful reform instituted and steadily maintained in connection with the disposition of night-soil. While the cities of Washington and Georgetown are thus relieved of the most oppressive of all nuisances, the death-rate has been sensibly diminished. Stimulated by our example, other sanitary bodies are looking to this or a similar method for the removal of night-soil without offense or mischief to health. The best evidence of the value of the apparatus now in use in this District is in the fact of its rapid and general introduction into other sections of the country. Among the cities into which it has been already introduced may be enumerated Boston, Providence, Pawtucket, Brooklyn, New York, Jersey City, Elizabeth, Newark, Philadelphia, Wilmington, Baltimore, Washington, Georgetown, Alexandria, Norfolk, Charleston, Savannah, New Orleans, Memphis, Detroit, and Grand Rapids.

WATER SUPPLY.

The quantity and quality of drinking-water upon the health of communities is well understood by those who know how largely this great element of nature enters into the human organism. In view of the essential relation pure water sustains to digestion and healthy blood elaboration, the board of health two years ago submitted to chemical analysis the water supplied our cities, and found it unusually free from contamination. At that time, according to a letter addressed to the president of the board by the assistant engineer of the Washington aqueduct, the actual amount of water daily used in Washington and Georgetown for all purposes was represented as about 17,500,000 gallons in every twenty-four hours. In forty-nine consecutive hours it was ascertained that the amount of water consumed was 35,841,167 gallons, or 117 gallons daily for each man, woman, and child, supposing the

population of the two cities to be 150,000, and that the water is equally distributed. "Of course," he observes, "it is not equally distributed; a large amount is used by the Government in the several Departments, much is used for mechanical purposes, and a very large amount is unnecessarily wasted." The citizens of the District have therefore much cause to be thankful for the unusual purity of its drinking-water, and the unstinted supply furnished by a wise and bountiful Government. To render it still freer from impurities we would recommend filtering at the reservoir, and additionally in private dwellings and public institutions, whenever used for drinking purposes. Some simple and effective filtering arrangement should be regarded as an indispensable public and household necessity.

PUBLIC FREE BATHS.

In both my former reports I have taken occasion to allude to the subject of free bathing as a much needed adjuvant to the health system of the District. Located as this city is, convenient to water, the failure to provide bathing for the masses is without excuse. Aside from the sanitary influence communicated to those who avail themselves of the luxury, inestimable advantage would accrue to the wealthier classes by the arrest of one of the recognized causes of contagious and epidemic disease. Personal filth, the accumulations of the excremental matter of the skin, and the saturation of unwashed undergarments are among the prolific generators of plague and pestilence. The whole community, therefore, for its own protection, is interested in the personal cleanliness of the working and poorer classes. Nor is the moral effect of habits of daily ablution to be ignored. "Cleanliness," the Bible assures us, "is next to godliness," and there can be no question that those who respect the purity of their persons are correspondingly careful to avoid moral taint. In no city where public baths have been instituted are the accommodations in proportion to the demand. The poor are found eager to avail themselves of advantages they have not the means to command at home. Let us, then, at the capital of the nation contribute by our efforts to the establishment of a free-bath system, convinced that, while developing physical health and vigor in the laborer, we are enhancing the reputation of our District salubrity and morality.

SANITARY RELATIONS OF THE POTOMAC.

I again invite attention to the importance of improving the river-frontage, the surveys of which were long ago made under the direction of the United States Engineer Department. The vast areas now partially submerged, and on receding tides giving out poisonous vegetable emanations, generating malaria, should be redeemed at whatever cost and at the earliest possible period. Both the health and prosperity of the District render this measure imperative. This great surface reclaimed, and the shallow-water beds cleaned and deepened, thus bearing off whole acres of rank vegetation which they nourish, and the last prominent vestige of danger to health from local causes will be swept away. This nuisance will thus vanish with the old reeking canal, both to be hereafter remembered only as some horrid nightmare of a troubled dream.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

The sanitary condition of our public buildings cannot be omitted, in view of evils to be corrected. No more flagrant sources of deteriorated

health exist than the faulty structures in which the Government business is being transacted from year to year. Ornamental and attractive as they may be to the curious lingerers in the metropolis, in their interior architectural arrangement they are deficient in much that conduces to health and comfort. This remark applies especially to the Treasury Department and the Pension Bureau. Aside from the liability to fire in these two structures, and the inevitable destruction thereby of most valuable records, dating from the foundation of the Government, and the consequent immense pecuniary as well as historic loss to the country, they are in many respects wholly unsuited for the purposes for which they are applied. In addition to overheated halls and apartments, there exists a deplorable absence of all suitable means of ventilation. The rooms are crowded with clerks and employés much beyond their capacity. These, for an average of six hours per day, breathe an atmosphere saturated with carbonic acid, produced by their own respiration, rendered still more deleterious by a corresponding amount of effete animal exhalation from the surface of their bodies. The chief means of ventilation consists of open windows, thus occasioning draughts of air to which those in the vicinity become cruelly exposed. The topmost story in the Treasury would be simply a barbarous den for cattle, and would inevitably, if thus appropriated, be favored by a diurnal call from the president of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. The slanting roof—a metallic one—leaves little space above the heads of the operatives, an occasional sky-window affording the only means of introducing outside air, and the poor women here swelter during the summer term in an atmosphere more than tropical in temperature, ranging often from 100° to 110° Fahrenheit. A not unfrequent consequence is, that a number every day are borne out of the room in a fainting condition. Other rooms in the Bureau of Printing and Engraving are overcrowded and inadequately ventilated, the inmates being favored with a less number of cubic feet of air in which to respire than is assigned to emigrants on shipboard. Some of the basement rooms are equally objectionable in a sanitary view.

Mr. McCartee, certainly one of the ablest, most efficient, and conscientious of our officials, has too much humanity in his nature not to deplore, as he does, the confined space in which his force of male and female employés is necessarily compressed. In his solicitude for their comfort, he has already invented several means of ameliorating a condition of things he is, alas! powerless fully to remedy. Among other causes of bad health is the poisonous and irritating dust from the separation and perforation of the fresh note-sheets. The effect upon the throat and respiratory organs often induces severe bronchitis, which in some instances fixes the foundation for incurable pulmonary consumption. The department of the Treasurer, General Spinner, is open to similar objections with that of the Superintendent of Engraving and Printing. The same anxiety is manifested by this noble-hearted official for the welfare of his clerks, for whose well-being he exhibits a tender and almost paternal solicitude. The overcrowded redemption-rooms are filled by an intolerable stench from the old, soiled, and ragged currency hourly poured into this department. Through what mutations have not passed these choice representatives of our national coin; by what fingers clutched and manipulated; in contact with what loathsome victims of contagion and death have they not slumbered! Visions of small-pox and other forbidding epidemics seem to float in the atmosphere of these offensive halls. A most disagreeable odor in the basement proceeds from extensive piles of old, effete, canceled whisky-

stamps, which, being held as possible evidence in contingent suits at law, must therefore find lodgment somewhere. An additional number of these interesting relics are to be found in the Internal Revenue Department. The truth is, the redemption of the currency and every species of manufacturing should be banished from the Treasury proper, and conducted in a separate building, without room divisions, sufficiently large and well ventilated to accommodate all the operatives thus employed.

It is but just to add that the ventilation of the entire Treasury building has been greatly improved by an arrangement due to the thoughtfulness of that able and skillful officer, A. B. Mullett, esq., supervising architect. It consists of a brick arch over the sewer running under the basement, by which a downward draught is created through registers in the floor, and the foul air is conducted by the chimney-flues to the outer air at the top of the building. This improvement, only made available during the last month, has been thoroughly tested, and found to be most effective; the offensive odors from the sewer, produced by benzine and other material stored and used in the basement, and which formerly filled the atmosphere of the upper rooms, are now effectually diverted to the chimneys, and rarely complained of.

The pension-clerks and the records are crowded into the building formerly known as the "Seaton House," on Louisiana avenue, an ill-lighted and worse ventilated structure, exposed to fire and consequent loss of much valuable matter, which could never be replaced. It seems strange that a government which receives so small a percentage for its own money should pay such exorbitant rents for indifferent, insufficient, and dangerous structures—rentals which would in a few years aggregate more than sufficient to build suitable structures for official use.

The Post-Office Department and Patent-Office are in better sanitary condition than either of the buildings to which I have alluded. Some of the basement-rooms, however, in the latter are exceedingly damp and wholly unsuited for occupancy by clerks.

The Winder building, occupied in part by the War Department, but chiefly by the Second Auditor of the Treasury, is also open to objection in a sanitary view. In stormy weather the old bricks of which the building is constructed absorb a large quantity of water, thus rendering the inside walls exceedingly damp, and the chill is increased by the brick pavements which pervade the whole structure. Hence the clerks of these departments are singularly liable to colds and catarrhal affections. Other defects, in regard to sewerage, &c., existing in the various departments of the Government, we have not time or space to notice. Suffice it, that from the Capitol, in which the Congress of the nation annually convenes, to the meanest rented building for the immolation of clerks, there is too little attention paid to the conditions of heating, ventilation, and pure air, so essential to the sound health of their occupants. The time has come when the attention of Government should be directed to these flagrant evils in order to their speedy and thorough correction.

SANITARY PROGRESS—NATIONAL HEALTH BUREAU.

A vigorous and intelligent direction has been given to sanitary science throughout the United States during the past year, which augurs well for its future development and ultimate triumph. A gratifying increase of activity, controlled by system and order, characterizes the various health boards of the country, and a widespread interest seems everywhere to prevail in connection with the important subject of public

hygiene. Legislators are becoming convinced that the prevention of disease by suitable regulations adds to the capital and productive labor of the state; nay, that sound health underlies the prosperity of a nation, and that physical prowess, intellectual vigor, and moral development can only exist where the masses are in sound sanitary condition.

In both the last reports we referred briefly to the subject of a proposed national bureau of health as a proper measure for consideration by Congress, and one that could not fail to add luster to the administration inaugurating it. As the subject is attracting increased attention, the history of this movement may not be inappropriate here. The plan of such a bureau was first conceived by the president of this board early in 1872, and submitted in the form of a schedule of the objects contemplated by such institution to his colleagues for their consideration and best judgment as to the course to be pursued. The meeting preliminary to the establishment of an American health association was about to be held in New York, and the president of the board was delegated by his colleagues to attend, not only for the purpose of assisting in the formation of the new society, but also to present and advocate the proposition of a national health bureau. Accordingly at the New York meeting the subject was offered and favorably entertained by the distinguished gentlemen composing that body. The association was organized, and its next session arranged to take place in Cincinnati the following spring. At that meeting (May, 1873) the president of this board read a paper on the "Necessity of a national sanitary bureau," and a resolution was unanimously adopted by the society approving and recommending such a department of the Government. This paper is now passing through the press as a part of the printed volume of proceedings of the American Health Association. We are glad to find that at the last meeting of that body, in Philadelphia, the subject was again renewed by no less a person than Prof. Samuel Gross, and a resolution similar to that adopted at Cincinnati presented by that distinguished surgeon, and unanimously acquiesced in. This action of the association, while a gratifying indorsement of the plan first discussed by the board of health of this District, is an evidence of the broad and progressive spirit of the age in the direction of sanitary reform. The time has arrived when the vast health interests of this country should be made the subject of Government action. If bureaus of education and agriculture have become a necessity, what shall we assert of the claims of that without which mental effort becomes weak and inefficient, and labor, whether on the farm or in the workshop, shorn of its vigor and efficiency? Both at the last and preceding meetings of Congress a bill, framed with the approbation of the board of health, was presented and advocated before the Committee on Education and Labor in the Senate. In some form it will be again brought to the notice of Congress, with the hope that it may receive the consideration its great importance demands. To this end we trust the sanitarians of the country will unite in asking of our national legislature recognition of the great health interest of the nation. All have doubtless but one purpose in view, and no selfish consideration should be allowed for a moment to conflict with the vast, various, and momentous aims to be achieved by a bureau of health under the auspices and direction of the General Government.

CONCLUSION.

The remarkable salubrity which has characterized the District of Columbia the past year is certainly cause for congratulation as well as of thankfulness to the great Dispenser of earthly blessings. We

especially allude to the remarkable immunity from epidemics of all kinds—an immunity as complete as it is extraordinary. While small-pox, typhoid fever, diphtheria, scarlatina, and kindred maladies have added largely to the mortality of other sections of the country, Washington and Georgetown have been exempt from the ravages of these alarming diseases. The promptness with which small-pox—at one time threatening widespread destruction—was arrested in its progress, indeed utterly crushed out of existence in our midst, affords gratifying evidence of the zeal and efficiency displayed in the effort to defend the public from danger and death. The recent system of vital statistics constitutes also an additional safeguard against the spread of epidemics. The immediate notice thus afforded, under late regulations, of the existence of disease will make it possible promptly to adopt sufficient measures of protection.

The board of health, in entering upon another year of sanitary labor, invokes what it always needs, the encouragement and aid of those for whose life and health its honest and earnest efforts stand pledged. Let every man look to his own household. Let the rules of health be studied regularly at home. In and around every dwelling let the owner or tenant exercise the functions of a vigilant sanitary inspector. In this way the health of every family will be greatly enhanced, and the public labor and expense proportionately lightened.

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